

The Heritage Society of Essex & Middle River



Founded
September 26, 1968

Officers 1969-70

Seated: Mary Corey (Treasurer), Laura Hensler (Vice President), Alex Baumgartner (President), Helen Baumgartner (Secretary). Standing: Horace McCarter (Publicity), Emma Dunham (Trustee), Earle Scoggins (Sergeant at Arms), Virginia Borsos (Trustee), John Ruley (Historian), Kay Wolfe (Trustee).

We thank our founding members Mr. and Mrs. Alex and Helen Baumgartner, their family, and peers for establishing our premiere Baumgartner Collection. The collection captures a historical snapshot of life in Essex and Middle River, Maryland. The collection contains nearly 300 categorical binders documenting our community activities with articles, pamphlets, and photographs from 1969 through the 1980s. The Heritage Society has scanned the collection to our website to share with our extended community. As we continue to build new collections, we are seeking new materials such as photographs and ephemera that pertain to the community and business history of Essex and Middle River. Please contact essexmuseum@gmail.com if you have historical memories or items to donate or would like to become a member.

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HERITAGE SOCIETY

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*Rita Kessler
first historian
from 1968 to 1970*

THE HERITAGE SOCIETY OF ESSEX AND MIDDLE RIVER

Department of Recreation and Parks

113 Riverside Road
Essex, Maryland 21221

November 14, 1968

Hon. Richard M. Nixon,
President Elect,
United States of America,
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. Nixon:

Ours is a very young society, seven weeks old, established for the purpose of gathering the history of this area for future generations.

In checking information on the Glenn L. Martin plant in Middle River, it has come to our attention that, for a time during World War II, you were stationed there.

We would appreciate anything you can tell us about the period of time you were there and your impressions of this section of the State of Maryland.

Enclosed is an Honorary Membership Card designating you as one of the Charter Members of this Heritage Society.

Respectfully,

/s/ Alex E. Baumgartner

Alex E. Baumgartner,
President

New Essex Group Meets Today In Elementary

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Middle River Organizes Heritage Society

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Those interested in membership or in contributing old pictures, maps, clippings or similar mementos are invited to attend.

News 9/23/68

Essex Society Meets Seeking Members

The Essex-Middle River Heritage Society meets every Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Essex elementary school. They are compiling a history of the Essex-Middle River area.

All persons having any material such as old newspaper clippings, pictures, manuscripts or anything relating to the history of this area are urged to contact Mr. Alex Baumgartner, who lives at 113 Riverside Rd., phone 686-6148.

The Society is seeking new members and cordially invites any one interested in this type of endeavor to attend the meetings.

The public is invited to inspect the many articles of

historical significance now in display at Bugatch's Furniture store, located at 431 Eastern Blvd.

*Essex Times
Nov 14, 68*

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Residents who are interested in donating anything of historical significance to the society may contact Al Baumgartner at 686-6148. We urge anyone who has anything old, regardless of how useless they may think it is, to call Mr. Baumgartner.

Only through hard, diligent work, can the Essex-Middle River community have their own historical society. A few members of the community have taken it upon themselves to try. It is now up to the community at large to insure their success.

Again, we urge anyone having anything old to contact Mr. Baumgartner. Only through the public's help can this society be successful.

M.J.L.E.C

Nov. 21 - 1968 Essex Times

1968-69

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Letters to the Editor

Overdue Monies Explained

Dear Editor:

In response to your editorial "City on the County's Back" which appeared in the TIMES of November 21, 1968, I believe your interpretation of the report of the Commission on Governmental Efficiency and Economy is a very limited and incomplete one. While the County can be proud of "paying its own way", how many of its programs can it be really proud of? If we asked for State or Federal funds, how many programs would meet their standards for funding? What about some of the programs for which Federal funding might be available for which we deny any need? In government as in other things we get the quality for which we are willing to pay.

As for the city's getting a seemingly disproportionate share of State taxes, this is money long overdue her for two reasons: (1) Countians have for years had a "free ride" on many services subsidized by the City which the County does not provide; and (2) the City has increasingly shouldered a burden of helping people callously forced out of the County by the policy "If you ignore a problem, it will go away."

In an area such as Essex-Middle River, people probably pay more attention to the editorials than they do to the editorials of the large dailies. Please don't waste your opportunities to lead us in the direction of being better-informed and more open-minded. Yours very truly,

Grace A. Black
(Mrs. James L. Black)

Welcomes History Editorial

Dear Editor:

We wish to thank you for your very kind editorial of November 21, as well as the article which appeared in the

November 14 issue of the Essex Times.

We held our first meeting September 26, and through November 14, we had 16 members. During the week following the November 14 article, we gained 13 additional members, as well as many phone calls and helpful information.

It is felt we have a worthwhile organization started. With help from your paper, businesses in Essex and Middle River and the citizens of our community, we hope to eliminate the "odor" which has clung to our name for so long and make our name something of which we can be proud.

Yours very truly,
Alex Baumgartner

Dec. 5 - 1968

Heritage Society Lauds Essex TIMES Articles

Dear Editor:

We, of the Heritage Society, find it difficult to express our thanks and appreciation for all you have done for us. Your articles and pictures concerning our Society, the old house at Cedar Point and our magazine, have helped a great deal in attracting and holding the interest of the people in our community. It is only through the cooperation and help of your newspaper, and the interest it generates, that we can continue to grow.

We are still trying to prove to Baltimore County that the old house at Cedar Point is worth restoring. It will be several months before this can be resolved. By then, we hope to have proof as to its age, as well as its origin.

Miss Matilda Lacey and other members of the Baltimore County Historical Society have gone out of their way to assist us.

Again, may we say thanks for all you have done.

Sincerely,
Alex Baumgartner
President
Heritage Society of
Essex and Middle River

7-31-1969 Essex

Essex Recreation News

The Essex-Middle River Heritage Society was formed September 26 and is sponsored by the Essex Recreation Council. Al Baumgartner, Helen Baumgartner, Laura Hensler, Darryl Ruppert and Myrtle Dudrow founded the program which now boasts a membership of 73 charter members in only three short months. People from all walks of life have joined the Heritage Society. Senior and Junior members are all welcome. Junior members 18 and over have voting rights in the program.

Beginning in January, the first and third Thursday the Heritage Society will meet twice each month, at the Essex Elementary School-Recreation Center, 8 to 10 p.m.

Now being recognized as a permanent program here in Baltimore County, especially in the Essex-Middle River area, donations of pictures, maps, antiques, and other information are starting to come in from all over the county. A book of maps called "Atlas of Baltimore County" by G. M. Hopkins was donated by Mr. Barnett from Baltimore County. This book will be on sale to the public sometime in January in limited quantities.

Al Baumgartner, president; Laura Hensler, vice president; Mrs. Helen Baumgartner, secretary; Earl Scoggins, historian; Miss Helen Baumgartner, file clerk; and Roland Corey, publicity officer, of the Essex-Middle River Heritage Society have all donated many hours of their time to make this program the success it is today. Mr. Baumgartner and his family work every night filing and recording information concerning the Essex-Middle River area.

All of these fine people are doing this community a great service. To each of them, the Essex Recreation Council wishes to express our sincere gratitude.

Members of this program go on bus-tours to museums,

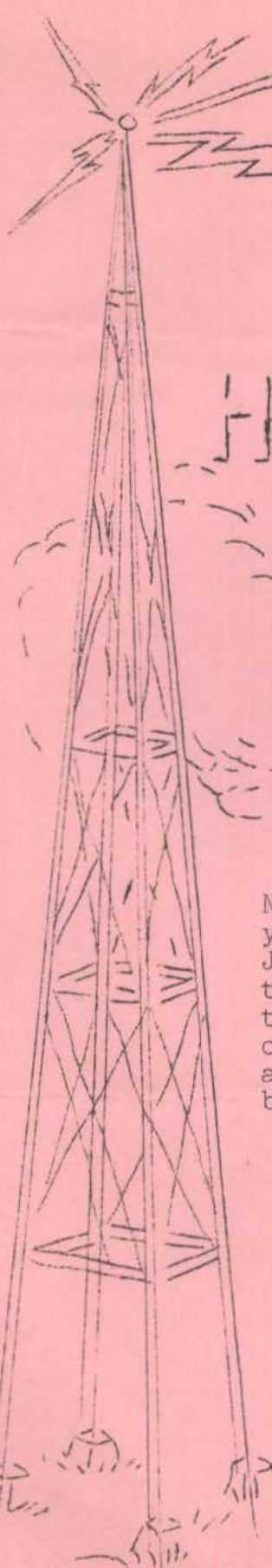
auctions, and other places of interest all at cost. The Heritage Society is now planning a float to ride in the 4th of July parade in Essex.

A meeting will be held January 16 for the election of officers for the society. The following officers will be elected: president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, trustees, publicity officer, historian, and sgt. of arms. All members are urged to attend. Only the members attending this meeting will be able to vote and nominate officers. Be sure to jot down the date.

The Essex-Middle River Heritage Society now holds information concerning the Essex-Middle River area dating from 1608 to 1968. If you or your friends have anything you would like to share with the society or those who would like to join this program, contact Al Baumgartner, 686-6148 or Laura Hensler, 686-7238. Everyone all ages welcome.

Jan 2 - 1969
Essex Times

Jan 16 - 1969



ANNOUNCING!

HERITAGE SOCIETY
ESSEX
MIDDLE RIVER

Nomination and election of officers for the next two years will take place at our meeting on Thursday, January 16, 1969 in the cafeteria of the Essex Elementary School on Mace Avenue. ALL MEMBERS are urged to attend this most important meeting. We are starting out with 75 members - let's see how many we can get to attend this first meeting of the new year - come and bring a friend.

BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION & PARKS

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Publicity- HORACE McCARTER

Historian- John Ruley

Guard- EARLE SCOGGINS, J.

Cedar Point Mansion Wanted As Museum

Local 110-member Heritage Society Seeks Use Of 200-year-old House

A group of heritage factfinders in the Essex-Middle River area want to turn an over 200-year-old farm house on Cedar Point into a county museum.

The old farm house is on the Miller property recently purchased by the county for the Eastern Area Park.

The local group--the Heritage Society of Essex-Middle River -- is being led in this museum drive by its president, Alex Baumgartner, and his wife, Helen.

Unofficially, the group has been granted use of the house by Hubert Snyder, director of the Baltimore County Recreation and Parks Department. But, the group will not have official control until June 1.

The nine-month-old society wants to renovate the old mansion into one similar to the Carroll County Farm Museum in Westminster.

The local preservation drive first started in October, 1968, when Mr. and Mrs. Baumgartner decided to "save" the house from destruction when it was learned that the county was going to tear the house down to make room for a 18-hole golf course.

The couple contacted several officials in the Department of Recreation and Parks in the preservation attempt because as Mrs. Helen Baumgartner said: "(They) felt every effort possible should be made to save



This is the over 200-year-old farm house on the Cedar Point Miller property that the heritage society wants as a county farm museum.

Essex Times - May 22, 1969

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The Heritage Society of Essex-Middle River is planning a joint historical bus tour of this area with the Baltimore County Historical Society sometime in March, 1970, and - Alex Baumgartner, the group's president, wants any local residents who knows of any interesting local places that should be added to the tour to call him at 686-6148. The tour arrangements are being made now.

The Heritage Society, of the Essex Recreation Council, will hold an outdoor auction and rummage sale on the Essex Elementary School grounds Saturday, May 24, 1 p.m. Furniture, clothing, tools, toys, radios, knick-knacks, dishes, lamps, books, and other donations are needed. If interested in donating items, call Roland Corey, 602 Maryland Avenue, (687-5083), for pick-up service.

it if for no other reason than its age."

While pressuring county officials, the couple started doing research into the history of the house itself.

And, according to Mrs. Baumgartner, since they both work, "we had to use our vacation to do this research and, therefore, haven't as yet been able to trace the house back to its origin although the last owner indicated it was over 200-years-old."

What the couple did find, though, was that the old farm house was sold to Edward Miller in 1855 by Robert Purviance, Jr., and John S. Gettings.

Mr. Purviance and Mr. Gettings bought the property at public auction in 1844 when the house and grounds were owned by Sheppard C. Leakin, a former Baltimore City mayor.

If the local heritage group is given official use of the old house for a museum, Mrs. Baumgartner said that it will house exhibits on "how to quilt, make bread, churn butter, spin, weave and many other things."

"Some of them (other farm museums) also have a wig shop, a blacksmith and a carpenter's shop," she said.

The group also wants to have an old farm wagon or buggy that children could ride while visiting the museum.

"As you can see," Mrs. Baumgartner explained, "this



The 200-year-old mansion and the lane leading to it are wanted by the Heritage Society of Essex-Middle River as a county landmark.

would require more than one or two acres."

This is the group's secondary drive, now -- to ask the county for enough land around the old farm house to preserve a lane winding up to the house and to have larger antiques as wagons or buggies on the front lawn.

The heritage society wants the land from the house to Back River Neck Road on one side, and from the house to the water on the other.

Even though the county has not given an official okay to use the land and mansion as a museum, as Mrs. Baumgartner said recently: "Baltimore County has long needed a museum such as this, and we would like to open it here at Cedar Point."

The Heritage Society of Essex-Middle River was founded in September, 1968, with only five members, and it has grown since then to 110 members.

Mr. James T. Tutchton, life-long resident of Essex, became the newest member of the Heritage Society of the Essex-Middle River area. From 1880 to 1918 Mr. Tutchton's family rented the "Paradise Farm," which covered all of Essex years ago and was owned by the Taylor Land Company.

Pictures brought to the February 6, Heritage Society meeting by Mr. Tutchton, were of such value to the Society, Mr. Tutchton, offered to have reprints made and will donate them to the Society.

Calendar of coming events sponsored by the Heritage Society are as follows:

March 5, Essex Recreation Council has requested the Heritage Society, to present a display of relics and pictures for the benefit of its members at the next Recreation Council meeting in the Sussex Elementary School-Recreation Center.

March 22, Luncheon-Game, Time: 1:00 p.m. until (?) Place: 428 Virginia Avenue, Donation: \$1.25, Myrtle Dudrow-Chairman, volunteers-Emma Dunham, Lula Nelson, Leona Hodges.

May 24, Outdoor Auction, Time: 1:00 p.m. until (?) Place: Essex Elementary School-Recreation Center, Roland Corey-Chairman, 687-5083. Anything you wish to donate toward the auction? Mr. Corey said anything of value may be donated no matter how small. Knick-knacks, dishes, lamps, pictures tools, toys, games, clothing or any useful items. Call Mr. Corey for information, he will also pick the items up.

Essex Times, May 22, 1969 0

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Member No. _____

**HERITAGE SOCIETY
of ESSEX & MIDDLE RIVER**

NAME _____

SECRETARY _____

MEMBER'S SIGNATURE _____



2/20/69
E. James

Heritage Society of the Essex-Middle River area will hold a bake sale, Friday, February 14, in front of the new Mars Supermarket in the Edgewater shopping center, Eastern Blvd. Anyone wanting to donate cakes, pies, cookies or candy may bring them to the sale or contact Alice Rizzo, chairman, 687-1653. Time: 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

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February 20, 1969

Essex Elementary School, donated the old United States flag, which was on the stage and a booklet, "The Story of Essex," to the Heritage Society of the Essex-Middle River area. Miss Genevieve Clark's class of 1956 gathered the information and made the magazine.

Refreshments were served at the February 20th meeting of the Heritage Society by the following Hostesses: Rita Hensler, Helen Baumgartner and Diane Baumgartner.

Al Baumgartner President, sends his "Thanks" to all volunteers and donors for their efforts in making the cake sale a success.

Bus trips planned for the society are: May 3rd, Lancaster, Penna., leaving Essex at 8 a.m. and returning 8 p.m.; June 7th, Washington, D.C., leaving Essex 7:30 a.m. and returning 5 p.m.; July 5th, Kutztown, Penna., leaving Essex 8 a.m. returning 8 p.m.; and October 11th, Westminster. Non-members welcome to go on these tours. Buses will hold only 49 passengers and all reservations must be made on a first come basis. Get your reservations early. Laura Hensler and Al Baumgartner are co-chairmen, Phone 686-6148 for information.

Heritage Society is beginning its membership drive. If you or your family and friends would like to join come to the Essex Elementary School-Recreation Center in the cafeteria on any 1st or 3rd Thursday of each month. Time 8 to 10 p.m.

Virginia Borsos brought a family heirloom quilt to the last meeting which will be used as a pattern for a replica. Names of patrons will be hand embroidered on the new quilt to raise funds for the society. When completed, the quilt will become a relic for the Society to use when it moves to a permanent home. Have your name, your family, friends, relatives, or pets names embroidered on this quilt for the small fee. For information, phone Virginia Borsos, chairman, OV 2-2139.



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113 Riverside Road
Essex, Md. 21221
Phone 686-6148

BUS TRIPS - FOUR

NO. 1 - LANCASTER, PA. - Cost (to members) \$6.00 - Saturday, May 3, 1969

1st stop - Wheatland (Pres. Buchanan's Home)

2nd stop - Meadow Hills Dining Room for Smorgasbord

3rd stop - Pennsylvania Farm Museum

The \$6.00 includes the Smorgasbord (\$3.00) but does NOT include admission to Wheatland nor to the Penna. Farm Museum.

NO. 2 - WASHINGTON, D.C. & VIRGINIA - Cost (to members) \$2.50 - Saturday, June 7, 1969

1st stop - Mt. Vernon, Va.

2nd stop - Arlington Cemetery)
Custis-Lee Mansion) - Arlington, Va.

3rd stop - Smithsonian Institute

The \$2.50 does NOT include any admission charges. Food will be available at Mt. Vernon and also at the Smithsonian Institute.

NO. 3 - KUTZTOWN, PA. - Cost (to members) \$4.25 - Saturday, July 5, 1969

Only 1 stop - Amish Festival - Kutztown, Pa.

The \$4.25 does NOT include an admission charge (if there is one) - This festival is held every year and the food and merchandise sold are made by the Amish people.

NO. 4 - CARROLL COUNTY FARM MUSEUM - Cost (to members) \$2.50 - Saturday, October 11, 1969

Only 1 stop - Carroll County Farm Museum - Westminster, Md.

The \$2.50 includes the admission charge into the Museum. Food is available there.

Busses will leave from the ASP parking lot in the 500 block Maryland Avenue.
Deposit of \$1.00 per person, per trip, is required to hold a seat, full price payable in full two weeks before each trip.

Prices shown are AT COST to members only. Price to outsiders is \$2.00 extra, per person, per trip. If desired, the \$2.00 may be used to become a member of the Society and thereafter that person could go at cost.

THE HERITAGE SOCIETY OF ESSEX & MIDDLE RIVER

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113 Riverside Road
Essex, Md. 21221

February 25, 1969

NEWS ITEM

The Heritage Society of Essex & Middle River are planning a publication to come out the first of July. The purpose of this publication is to enlist the help and support of the people by making them aware of what we are trying to do. In addition to preserving landmarks & buildings, this includes preserving our local history which has become lost in the annals of time. Only through the diligent effort of our volunteer workers can it be brought to light.

We want to create a new interest in Essex & Middle River. We have something here of which we can be justifiably proud and we want everyone to know about it.

In order to make this publication a success, we need the support of the merchants and people of our community.

5,000 copies of this publication will go on sale the 4th of July, to coincide with the 60th Anniversary of Essex.

Won't you join us in our endeavor to "stand up and be counted" among the leading communities of our State?

Alex Baumgartner
Alex Baumgartner
President

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BY-LAWS OF
THE HERITAGE SOCIETY OF ESSEX AND MIDDLE RIVER

ARTICLE I: NAME AND BOUNDARIES

- Section 1. The name of this organization shall be THE HERITAGE SOCIETY OF ESSEX AND MIDDLE RIVER.
- Section 2. The boundaries of this Society are defined thusly: all the areas known as Essex and Middle River, with additions later as necessary.
- Section 3. Emblem - See last attached.
Motto - OUR PAST AND PRESENT FOR THE FUTURE

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

- Section 1. The purposes of this Society are to (a) investigate, collect and preserve the history of the Essex and Middle River areas for ourselves and future generations and (b) to support and promote programs and projects for the good of the people of these areas.

ARTICLE III: DEFINITIONS

- Section 1. Programs and projects are activities which contribute to or help preserve the history of these areas.
- Section 2. The Executive and Financial Year of the Society shall begin on January first and shall continue until the last day of the following December.

ARTICLE IV: PROCEDURE

- Section 1. Membership in this organization shall be open to all persons interested in collecting and preserving the history of Essex and Middle River.
- Section 2. Any dues paying member is a voting member of the Society. There will be no distinction so far as age is concerned.
- Section 3. Meetings will be held the first and third Thursdays of each month. Time and place will be reported to membership at least two days before the first meeting of each month.
- Section 4. All meetings will be conducted by the Senior Officer present, i.e., President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, 3-year Trustee, 2-year Trustee, 1-year Trustee, Sgt. at Arms, Historian or Publicity Chairman.
- Section 5. Membership dues will be as follows: \$3.00 per year for husband and wife and \$2.00 per year for individuals.

EASTERN AREA BUDGET MEETING

January 14, 1969

MINUTES

MIDDLE RIVER RECREATION AND PARKS COUNCIL

The major needs of this council were expressed by Mr. Durward Hart, Vice President, members of the council, and representatives of the Greater Hawthorne Action Committee. Great emphasis was placed on the vital need for full-time and part-time leadership. Program needs expressed include extension of the playground season through August, utilizing federal funds to reach untapped sources of local leadership; more diversified activities for teenagers, adults, and youth; expanded girls' programs; and programs for those under nine years of age. Facility and Maintenance needs include (1) Victory Villa Community Center - painting inside, tile auditorium floor, additional tables and chairs. (2) Midthorn Park - acquisition of additional adjacent land, and improvement of existing park, such as picnic tables, park benches, water fountain, etc. and improved maintenance of equipment, expedite acquisition of Civic Association property and development of Kingston Park. Survey of other available land in Helldorfer Estate. (3) Hawthorne School-Recreation Center - addition of a much needed activity room and joint efforts by Education and Recreation and Parks to fill land behind school to expand athletic facilities at a sub-standard facility. Family camping at Rocky Point Park and similar county parks must be developed. Citizens need to be kept better informed on development progress.

STEMBRIDGE RECREATION AND PARKS COUNCIL

The major needs of this Council were presented by Mr. Ronald Reickman, President, members of the council and the Athletic Association. The major budget emphasis was placed on full and part-time leadership as a must in properly operated activities. Paid leadership is needed for winter indoor tennis at Kenwood and that outdoor and indoor lacrosse should be developed. It was requested that the purchase of Country Ridge property be expedited and that a recreation activity room be constructed under the existing Stemmers Run Junior activity room. The stemmers Run storage room must have heat to be useful and outside access to toilets at Stemmers Run must be provided. Outside lights are needed on the football field and tennis courts to improve programs in these areas. Emphasis was placed on the need for fencing in front of players benches and the need for maintenance to keep erosion at a minimum. Five corridor gates in Stemmers Run were requested and an additional ball field behind the school.

ESSEX RECREATION AND PARKS COUNCIL

This council was represented by its officers, Mr. Frederick Moroz, President; Mrs. Bessie Moroz, Vice-President; Mrs. Mary Kidd, Treasurer; and individual members. A major problem is the need for a full-time custodian for recreation at Essex and Sussex. The importance of full-time staff was discussed, especially for a Center Director at Sussex Elementary. Leadership funds were requested for Tap and Ballet and Baton. The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River expressed the need for a building to be converted into a museum, the Miller farm house being suggested as a major possibility. Other major needs included more programs for children at Sussex, activity rooms at Sussex and Essex, and renovation of Sussex multi-purpose room to include basketball facilities, assistance in provision of playground equipment, row boats, picnic tables, black top

Essex Recreation News

By Horace McCarter February 20, 1948

Mr. James T. Tutchton, life-long resident of Essex, became the newest member of the Heritage Society of the Essex-Middle River area. From 1880 to 1918 Mr. Tutchton's family rented the "Paradise Farm," which covered all of Essex years ago and was owned by the Taylor Land Company.

Pictures brought to the February 6, Heritage Society meeting by Mr. Tutchton, were of such value to the Society, Mr. Tutchton, offered to have reprints made and will donate them to the Society.

Calendar of coming events sponsored by the Heritage Society are as follows:

March 5, Essex Recreation Council has requested the Heritage Society, to present a display of relics and pictures for the benefit of its members at the next Recreation Council meeting in the Sussex Elementary School-Recreation Center.

March 22, Luncheon-Game, Time: 1:00 p.m. until (?) Place: 428 Virginia Avenue, Donation: \$1.25, Myrtle Dudrow-Chairman, volunteers-Emma Dunham, Lula Nelson, Leona Hodges.

May 24, Outdoor Auction, Time: 1:00 p.m. until (?) Place: Essex Elementary School-Recreation Center. Roland Corey-Chairman, 687-5083. Anything you wish to donate toward the auction? Mr. Corey said anything of value may be donated no matter how small. Knick-knacks, dishes, lamps, pictures, tools, toys, games, clothing or any useful items. Call Mr. Corey for information, he will also pick the items up.

Dear Friends of the Heritage Society,
To say I thank you doesn't seem quite enough, but your real thanks will come on Easter Monday when you see the faces of the children. See you then if you can make it. Sincerely

Mary Kidd (Chairman)

Thankyou note for \$10.00 donation for the Easter Egg Hunt held by the Essex Recreation and Parks Council

Essex Recreation Council, at their March meeting, discussed the 1969 - 70 Baltimore County Department of Recreation and Parks budget. There is a great need for the following which is included in the Budget;

1. Full - time custodian for recreation.
2. Leadership funds for Tap-Ballet and Baton Programs.
3. Center Director for Sussex School Recreation Center.
4. Purchase of Miller's farm for Heritage Society Museum.
5. Activity rooms at Essex and Sussex.
6. Portable swimming pools at Essex and Sussex.
7. Improvements at Cox's Point Park.
8. Clerical needs for Essex Recreation office.

A mass meeting has been planned by the people of the Essex Recreation Council, at Towson. Public is urged to attend -- free bus transportation leaving from the Sussex Elementary School April 2, 6:30 p.m. See that our community gets its fare share of the funds. Come help to stress the need for approval of these necessities. The Recreation Department is the only supporter for activities for our children in the Essex area. Let's back them up.

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Sussex Senior Teen Center is now open to all teens, ages 14 - 18. Wear casual clothing. News Rules. Open every Friday from 8 to 11 p.m. Come and bring the gang. Mary Kidd is chairman.

Seek To Preserve East End History

The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River is planning a publication to come out the first of July. The purpose of this publication is to enlist the help and support of the people in preserving landmarks and buildings and preserving local history which has become lost in the annals of time.

"We want to create a new interest in Essex and Middle River. We have something here of which we can be justifiably proud and we want everyone to know about it", a society official said.

"In order to make this publication a success, we need the support of the merchants and people of our community.

"5,000 copies of this publication will go on sale the 4th of July, to coincide with the sixtieth anniversary of Essex."

Riverside Road in Essex.
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Heritage Society of Essex - Middle River received numerous pictures and newspaper clippings at their last meeting on March 6. Many of them very old and of great value and interest to the society.

An old pair of eye glasses estimated to be between 150 and 200 years old by the donor, Mrs. Kay Bowerman, was gratefully accepted. Another American flag was donated to the society by the Charlesmont School.

Miss Rita Hensler was elected historian.

Essex Recreation Council invites all merchants, church groups, scout troops, bands, marchers, clowns, and any other interested people to come participate in the Essex 4th of July parade. Everyone welcome to participate. Peter Moroz is chairman. Bessie Moroz is marching parade chairman. Al Baumgartner is band chairman. Horace McCarter is publicity chairman. Mary Kidd is float chairman. Contact Mrs. Kidd for further information (687-2239).

Essex Elementary School, donated the old United States flag, which was on the stage and a booklet, "The Story of Essex," to the Heritage Society of the Essex-Middle River area. Miss Genevieve Clark's class of 1956 gathered the information and made the magazine.

Refreshments were served at the February 20th meeting of the Heritage Society by the following Hostesses: Rita Hensler, Helen Baumgartner and Diane Baumgartner.

Al Baumgartner President, sends his "Thanks" to all volunteers and donors for their efforts in making the cake sale a success.

Bus trips planned for the society are: May 3rd, Lancaster, Penna., leaving Essex at 8 a.m. and returning 8 p.m.; June 7th, Washington, D.C., leaving Essex 7:30 a.m. and returning 5 p.m.; July 5th, Kutztown, Penna., leaving Essex 8 a.m. returning 8 p.m.; and October 11th, Westminster. Non-members welcome to go on these tours. Buses will hold only 49 passengers and all reservations must be made on a first come basis. Get your reservations early. Laura Hensler and Al Baumgartner are co-chairmen. Phone 686-6148 for information.

Heritage Society is beginning its membership drive. If you or your family and friends would like to join come to the Essex Elementary School-Recreation Center in the cafeteria on any 1st or 3rd Thursday of each month. Time 8 to 10 p.m.

Virginia Borsos brought a family heirloom quilt to the last meeting which will be used as a pattern for a replica. Names of patrons will be hand embroidered on the new quilt to raise funds for the society. When completed, the quilt will become a relic for the Society to use when it moves to a permanent home. Have your name, your family, friends, relatives, or pets names embroidered on this quilt for the small fee. For information, phone Virginia Borsos, chairman, OV 2-2139.

*Essex Times
March 20, 1969*

*The Essex Times
March 6, 1969*

*The Jeffersonian
March 6, 1969*



This Flag Raised Football Funds

FAMILY HEIRLOOM — Virginia Borsos, will present her 1931 original football quilt to the Heritage Society to make replicas from it for the purpose of making funds for the committee.

Virginia Borsos, is the owner of a family Heirloom Quilt which is to used as a pattern for a committee of ladies to make a replica. Names of patrons will be hand embroidered on the new quilt to raise funds for the Heritage Society. When

completed the quilt will become a relic for the Society to use in it's permanent home at Cedar Point off Back River Neck Road in Baltimore County. Have your name, your family, friends, pets, or business, club or group

embroidered on this quilt for a small fee. For information phone Virginia Borsos, OV.2-2139.

The Heirloom Quilt displayed by Mrs. Borsos, is one made in the fall of 1931 and names embroidered on it to raise funds to buy football uniforms for the Essex team. A football was embroidered in the center with names of the teams.

The winner of the flag Mr. and Mrs. Albert Edwards of Chase, Md. kept the Quilt all these years in excellent condition, then presented to Mrs. Borsos for a Keepsake. Mrs. Borsos has a special interest in the quilt because it was her mother who originated the idea and did the actual quilting.

The Heritage Society, of the Essex Recreation Council, will hold an outdoor auction and rummage sale on the Essex Elementary School grounds Saturday, May 24, 1 p.m. Furniture, clothing, tools, toys, radios, knick-knacks, dishes, lamps, books, and other donations are needed. If interested in donating items, call Roland Corey, 602 Maryland Avenue, (687-5083), for pick-up service.

Essex Times

← May 22, 1969

THE
Heritage SOCIETY
of ESSEX and MIDDLE RIVER, INC.

Heritage Society
September 26,
1968 - 1969

CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP

Essex
June 26,
1909 - 1969

Awarded to

129 MEMBERS

Commemorating the first anniversary of
The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River, Inc.
and the sixtieth anniversary of Essex

Sept. 1969

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Alex Baumgartner

ALEX BAUMGARTNER
President



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Cedar Point & Miller
Farm May 1969

Al Baumgartner



Cedar Point on Miller Farm
Taken May 1969

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Local Persons Donate To History

DONATED FOR POSTERITY--Emma Dunham, of 313 Lorraine Avenue, is shown above standing behind stone crocks, stone jugs, and old pots as she handles an old-time cherry seeder -- all items were donated recently to the Essex-Middle River Heritage Society, sponsored by the Essex Recreation Council. Also donated to the society were two aerial photographs taken ten years ago of Mace Avenue, Orem's Road, and Stemmers Run area. These aerial photographs were donated by the owner of Walsh Lumber Company. Gordon Connelly, of Connelly Funeral Home on Mace Avenue, gave the society photographs of a 1929 testimonial dinner honoring W. Howard Milling. The society meets every first and third Thursday each month in the Essex Elementary School, 8-10 p.m., and welcomes donations of this kind, an official said.

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Chairman - ALEX BAUMGARTNER
 Tickets Donated by - MYRTLE DUDROW

WINNER - JUANITA BUCHANAN
 Amount Won - \$127.⁷⁵

Heritage Society To Meet Every Thursday At School

The Heritage Society met for the first time on Thursday, Sept. 26, in the cafeteria of the Essex Elementary School, and will continue to meet there every Thursday at 8 p.m., with the exception of Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 28.

"It doesn't matter whether or not you have pictures or newspaper clippings to

contribute or share with us. If you are interested, your time is enough!" explained Al Baumgartner, spokesman of the group.

Essex Society Meets Seeking Members

The Essex-Middle River Heritage Society meets every Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Essex elementary school. They are compiling a history of the Essex-Middle River area.

historical significance now in display at Bugatch's Furniture store, located at 431 Eastern Blvd.

THE TIMES, Essex, Md.,

All persons having any material such as old newspaper clippings, pictures, manuscripts or anything relating to the history of this area are urged to contact Mr. Alex Baumgartner, who lives at 113 Riverside Rd., phone 686-6148.

The Society is seeking new members and cordially invites any one interested in this type of endeavor to attend the meetings.

The public is invited to inspect the many articles of

NOVEMBER 14
1968

The Essex-Middle River Heritage Society was formed September 26 and is sponsored by the Essex Recreation Council. Al Baumgartner, Helen Baumgartner, Laura Hensler, Darryl Ruppert and Myrtle Dudrow founded the program which now boasts a membership of 73 charter members in only three short months. People from all walks of life have joined the Heritage Society. Senior and Junior members are all welcome. Junior members 18 and over have voting rights in the program.

Beginning in January, the first and third Thursday the Heritage Society will meet twice each month, at the Essex Elementary School-Recreation Center, 8 to 10 p.m.

Now being recognized as a permanent program here in Baltimore County, especially in the Essex-Middle River area, donations of pictures, maps, antiques, and other information are starting to come in from all over the county. A book of maps called "Atlas of Baltimore County" by G. M. Hopkins was donated by Mr. Barnett from Baltimore County. This book will be on sale to the public sometime in January in limited quantities.

A meeting will be held January 16 for the election of officers for the society. The following officers will be elected: president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, 3 trustees, publicity officer, historian, and sgt. of arms. All members are urged to attend. Only the members attending this meeting will be able to vote and nominate officers. Be sure to jot down the date.

The Essex-Middle River Heritage Society now holds information concerning the Essex-Middle River area dating from 1608 to 1968. If you or your friends have anything you would like to share with the society or those who would like to join this program, contact Al Baumgartner, 686-6148 or Laura Hensler, 686-7238. Everyone all ages welcome.

January 16
Essex Times

Parks Department, Recreation Groups Meet Here To Discuss Yearly Budget Requirements

The members of the Baltimore County Board and Department of Recreation and Parks attended a meeting with the Eastern area Recreation and Parks Councils and their representatives, to analyze the needs to build the kind of recreation and parks programs and facilities needed by our growing urban population and to discuss the 1969-70 Budget. A requested budget of \$489,375. will be made by the Eastern area. Approximately 70 people turned out for this important meeting.

Communities and their representatives showing attendance at this meeting were: Bengies - Miss Golden Beasley, Back River - George K. Noethan Jr., Berkshire - Albert Scharpf, Eastwood - Frank Petricca, Essex - Fred Moroz, Middle River - Durwood Hart, Stembridge - Ronald E. Reichman, Colgate - Eastpoint - Mrs. Evelyn Devon, Chase - W. Spencer Balch.

Baltimore County Board of Recreation and Parks was represented by its members: Hubert I. Snyder, director; Bill Tierney, assistant director of facilities; Ed Bender, assistant program director; Warren Morken, administrative fiscal assistant; Edwin Schamel, Board of Recreation and Parks.

Hawthorne area had the largest turn-out of people including their principal Jack Earnshaw, Malcolm Aldrich representing the Mothers club, their P.T.A. President and several others from Hawthorne speaking on their community

needs.

Bill Groth, principal of the Sussex Elementary School stated their school had plenty adult recreation but very little for the youngsters because of lack of proper equipment.

Mrs. Bessie Moroz, vice president of the Essex Recreation Council said "Full time custodian care is needed at both Sussex and Essex Schools - Recreation Centers. Activity rooms are needed at both schools, also lighting for the grounds."

A full time secretary for the Essex Recreation Council and a heavy duty mimeograph machine are among the other needed items. Portable swimming pools for Sussex and Essex were also requested for the congested area of Essex

community. A fishing pier and ramp for the Cox Point Park is needed and was requested by Mrs. Moroz.

She also pointed out the need for paid leadership for the Tap - Ballet and Baton Program which the Park and Recreation Board is opposed to. The board feels this is a skilled area and should not be paid for with county funds for that reason.

Mary Kidd commented on more needs for Coxes Point Park, such as better parking, more playground equipment, picnic tables, a pavilion and better maintenance.

The Essex Middle River Heritage Society had a display for all attending the budget meeting to see. They had many old pictures, antiques, letters, and other items to bring the Boards attention to their program. The purpose of this, Al Baumgartner, president of the Society said, is to show the need of the society for a permanent place to display and store these things.

Mr. Baumgartner and the society would like the Department of Parks and Recreation to purchase the Miller house as it is believed to be the oldest house in this area. The Society, if the house is purchased, would restore it and turn it into a museum type place for future generations to enjoy.

Hubert I. Snyder, Director of the Board of Parks and Recreation commented this was

the finest meeting he ever attended with such an excellent turn - out of concerned people for the Eastern area. He said the Recreation and Parks are vital and essential, not a luxury. Mr. Snyder realizes our needs and problems are real. The budget battle is a tough one and cannot be pushed aside as it is an investment in people. This was the most enthusiastic budget ever presented and everyone attending the meeting was urged to continue the budget battle all the way up until June if necessary.

Malcolm Aldrich - superintendent for the Eastern area conducted the meeting and urged all representatives to continue the budget battle and even go to Towson for this purpose if necessary. His secretary Naomi Meseke, will send copies of the minutes of this meeting to all Council members and those attending this meeting.



Essex Heritage Society

Heritage Society of the Essex-Middle River area held its first election of Officers on Jan. 16, at the Essex Elementary School-Recreation Center. Officers pictured above were elected as follows: Seated: Treasurer-Mary Corey, Vice

President-Laura Hensler, President-Al Baumgartner, Secretary-Helen Baumgartner. Standing: Publicity-Horace McCarter, 3 yr. Trustee- Emma Dunham, Sgt. of Arms-Earle Scoggins, 2 yr. Trustee-Virginia Borsos, Historian-John Ruley, and 1 yr. Trustee-Kay Wolfe.

Essex Times Jan 30, 1968



Artist Donates Work

ART FOR HISTORY--A local artist, George Hensler (left), recently donated a linecutting (linoleum block) depicting one of the old Back River open streetcars to Alex Baumgartner, president of the Historical Society of Essex and Middle River. Mr. Hensler was one of the artists that exhibited in the historical society's antique and art show several months ago.

*Essex Times
August 27, 1970*



Heritage Society Is A Year Old

FETES FIRST ANNIVERSARY -- Founders of the Essex-Middle River Heritage Society (l-r, Myrtle Dudrow, Laura Hensler, Al Baumgartner, Virginia Borsos, and Emma Dunham) cut the group's first anniversary cake during the group's September 18 celebration. The local heritage society, which won trophies in the July 4th parade for the best float and the antique car, also gave trophies to members for an outstanding job -- banner: Mary Corey, Rita Hensler, Jeanne Hensler, Alicia Griffin; costumes: Jo Pugh, Rosemary Day, Helen Baumgartner, Kathy Svezese, Bill Blum, Tom Callaway, Bobby Hensler; cake: John Diggs; boxes: Diane Baumgartner, Chris Pugh, Ken Pugh, Charles Day, Bobby Day, Frankie Day, Johnny Griffin, Patty Griffin, Kelly Griffin, Valerie Griffin, Chrissy Hensler, Sherrie Hensler; magazine car: Ken Pugh, Emma Dunham, Alice Rizzo, Helen Baumgartner; butcher: Al Baumgartner; antique car: Ben Taylor, Josephine Crusse, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ghormley; and helpers: Frank Blum, Madaline Blum, Marie Blum, Earle Scoggins.



1969- THEY WENT OUT COLLECTING MONEY FOR THE HERITAGE SOCIETY AND THE HERITAGE SOCIETY PRESENTED THEM WITH TWO PLAQUES.

THE WHITE HOUSE



Mr. Alex E. Baumgartner
President
The Heritage Society of Essex
and Middle River
113 Riverside Road
Essex, Maryland 21221

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 13, 1969

Dear Mr. Baumgartner:

Although it was not possible to acknowledge your November letter until now, President Nixon wants you to know that he is grateful for your thoughtful offer of membership in the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River.

The President was interested to learn of the historical objectives of your organization and regrets that official demands on his time will not allow him to send you the personal statement you request. I am sure you will also understand that only the requirements of a firm policy to limit participation in all organizations to an absolute minimum during his term of office as President of the United States prevent him from accepting your gracious invitation.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely,

John R. Brown III
Staff Assistant
to the President

Mr. Alex E. Baumgartner
President
The Heritage Society of Essex
and Middle River
113 Riverside Road
Essex, Maryland 21221

Duke Sale

Friday - February 1988

Chairman - Alton



ESSEX
MIDDLE RIVER

Seals Donated by -

Thomas Baumgartner



Bake Sale

Friday, February 14, 1969

Mars Super Market

Chairman — Alice Riggo

\$ 63.84





Bake Sale Help at
Middlesex Shopping Center
May 9 - 10 - 1969



Bus Trip to Kutztown, Pa.

July 5, 1969 By Heritage Society of Essex
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THE *Heritage* SOCIETY of ESSEX and MIDDLE RIVER
113 RIVERSIDE ROAD • BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21221

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MRS. LAURA HENSLEY - 696-7238
Vice President

MRS. HELEN BAUMGARTNER - 696-6148
Secretary

MRS. MARY CORREY - 697-5083
Treasurer

Dear Member:

Our Society is holding an auction at the Essex elementary school on May 24, 1969. If you have anything of value that is no longer being used by you please donate it to the auction committee.

Suggested items are: Clothing, Tools, Toys, Medicines, Eric Kees's, Dishes, Lamps, Books, Furniture.

We are soliciting items from the general public as well. Please contact your friends and neighbors.

We need the help of everyone in the Community.

Since the society is dedicated to the preservation of the history of this area, no object of historical significance will be sold.

Contributions are being accepted by Mr. Roland Corey at 502 Maryland Ave., Baltimore, Md. 21201.

If you are unable to deliver, call MU. 7-5083 and Mr. Corey will pick up your contribution.

Sincerely yours,

Roland Corey

Roland Corey
Chairman of Auction Committee

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March 13, 1969

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN -

The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River was founded to collect and preserve the history of this section for ourselves and future generations.

There aren't too many really old buildings left and we would like to try and preserve the few we know about. One of these is the house on the Old Miller Farm at Cedar Point, another is the barn once used as a pottery works located on Pottery Farm Road in the rear of Back River Neck School. Both these properties are owned by Baltimore County.

We firmly believe the County should try to preserve these old buildings, preferably on the ground at Cedar Point, which is already intended as a park and wild life preserve. Once restored, we could operate them as a Farm Museum such as Carroll County's Farm Museum in Westminster and the Landis Valley Farm Museum outside of Lancaster, Pa. These Museums are not only educational but a form of recreation as well. From personal experience, we know people don't visit them by just the carload but by the busload. Once restored and operational, these Farm Museums are not only self-sustaining but a source of income.

Attached are copies of letters we have received in support of our efforts.

Sincerely,

essexmuseum.com

ESSEX RECREATION & PARKS COUNCIL
ESSEX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - RECREATION CENTER
MACE AVENUE
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21221

Mr. Dale Anderson - County Executive - County Office Building
Towson, Maryland 21204
Mr. Harry Bartenfelder - President, County Council - County
Office Building - Towson, Maryland 21204
Mr. Herbert Snyder - Director Baltimore County Department of
Recreation and Parks - 301 Washington Ave.
Towson, Maryland 21204

We (I) strongly support the requested budget for the Essex
Recreation and Parks Council, which is included in Baltimore
County, Department & Recreation and Parks Budget. There is a
great need for the following.

1. Full - time custodian for recreation.
2. Leadership funds for Tap-Ballet and Baton programs.
3. Center Director for Sussex School Recreation Center.
4. Purchase of Millers farmhouse for the Heritage
Society Museum.
5. Activity rooms at Sussex and Essex.
6. Portable pools at Sussex and Essex.
7. Improvements at Cox's Point Park.
8. Clerical needs for Essex Office.

State that you are a resident of Essex and stress the
need for approval of these necessities. Remember - The Rec-
reation Department is the only supporter for activities for
for our children in the Essex Area. Let's back them up with
letters and petitions.

Thank you,

Frederick F. Moroz

Frederick F. Moroz
President, Essex Recreation
and Parks Council

March 25, 1969

EASTERN AREA BUDGET PROCEDURE RECOMMENDATION

Procedure - 5 Speakers from Area

- Speaker 1 - Introductory Statement and Moderator
- Speaker 2 - Full Time Staff
- Speaker 3 - Part Time Staff
- Speaker 4 - Maintenance
- Speaker 5 - Facilities

Introductory Statement should include:

1. Size of Area - approximately 70 square miles
2. Population - approximately 85,000 people
3. Area Council Budget - \$205,000
4. Leadership Budget request from County - \$284,000
5. Many neighborhoods and communities striving to play their parts in making Baltimore County a better place in which to live and willing to do their part financially.
6. Many programs had to be curtailed because of lack of funds this year.
7. People here from Eastern Area represent nine recreation councils and are supporting the Department of Recreation and Parks Budget. (Have people stand up) We sincerely hope that you will give the existing request favorable consideration so that we may assist you and the people of Baltimore County in providing for one of life's essentials - leisure activity.

Statement on Full Time Staff should include:

1. Value to community or neighborhood
2. Need of local group for full time assistance
 - a. economy through efficiency
 - b. supervision of county facilities and council equipment
 - c. supervision of part time staff
 - d. guidance in fund-raising, accounting, record-keeping and reporting.
 - e. center directors providing direct leadership saves money as well as provides better quality and continuity of program.
3. Bring in places with requests for full time staff.

Statement on Part Time leadership should include:

1. This is the heart of the program
2. Part time leaders have direct association with our children.
3. People requesting new and expanded programs
4. Adequate pay to get good leaders
5. Supervise million dollar facilities.
6. Lead and develop skills which if properly motivated can carry over throughout life.
7. Any deficiencies here can damage the whole council operation.

Statement of Maintenance Needs should include:

1. Number of facilities - 46 school-recreation centers, neighborhood parks, playgrounds, waterfronts, etc.
2. 23 school recreation centers have anywhere from 2 to 5 ball diamonds at each site
3. Number of acres - 998 and increasing constantly,

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and Parks

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DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

301 WASHINGTON AVENUE
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

HUBERT I. SNYDER
DIRECTOR

March 21, 1969

3000
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2:15 PM

Mr. Alex Baumgartner, President
The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River
113 Riverside Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21221

Dear Mr. Baumgartner:

Thank you for your information in regard to the Miller Farm and the house located on it. You can rest assured that every consideration will be given to your needs and others, who might find use potential in the Eastern Area Park complex.

We are very anxious to obtain an accurate history of the house referred to on the Miller property. We do have indications that it is of historical value and significance. We also have information that it does not have historic value. This is always a point raised whenever consideration is given to the establishment of an historic shrine, particularly where buildings are involved.

We would suggest the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River investigate the historic facts in regard to this house and make every effort to prove whether or not it has real historic significance. We suggest this be done as soon as possible. We do expect to plan this entire area in the very near future.

Kindest regards and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Hubert I. Snyder
Director

HIS:dr

cc: Mr. Morton Cassner
Mr. Malcolm Aldrich

2. Sussex Teen Center will be featuring the band Heat on Friday, April 25, from 8:00 to 11:00 p.m.

3. The Heritage Society is holding an Auction at the Essex Elementary School, May 24. Donations of clothing, tools, toys, radios, knick-knacks, dishes, lamps, books and furniture will be gratefully accepted. Bring items to Roland Corey at 602 Maryland Ave. or phone 687-5083 for pick-up service. Thank you.

COMMUNITY NEWS

1. EDUCATIONAL BUS TRIPS PLANNED THIS SUMMER - Buses will leave at 9 a.m. and return by 5 p.m.

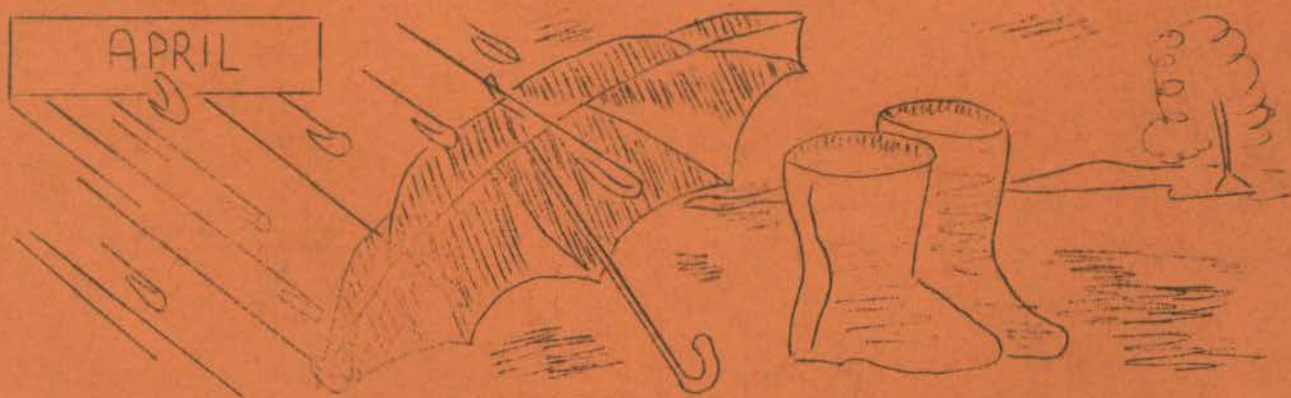
Monday Washington - Smithsonian Institute, Capitol

Tuesday Annapolis - Navel Academy, State House and also the Senate and House chambers.

Thursday Gettysburg - Battleground

Friday Baltimore - Tour of the city, Fort McHenry, Constellation, Baltimore City Court House, etc.

There will be a charge of \$13 for children and \$15 for adults, which includes transportation in air-conditioned coaches, a minimum of two chaparones per bus and all admissions. Each child will need to bring his own lunch. For information and reservations call Mr. P. David Hutchinson at 682-3997.



2. The Essex Little League held their annual opening day parade on Sunday and it was a huge success. Many groups of bands, majorettes, baseball players and etc. marched from the Moose Lodge to Sussex Elementary School. The following trophies were awarded:

Band 1st Place -----Kenwood Senior High
Band Achievement Award-----Essex Elementary School

Majorettes 1st Place-----The Debs
Majorettes Achievement Award-----Essex Cadettes
Majorettes Achievement Award-----The Toreadors

3. The Sussex Teen Center will be featuring Dave and the Henchmen this Friday at 8:00 p.m.

4. TOPS - (take off pounds sensibly) is beginning a membership drive for the Essex Town and Country Club TOPS. Enroll now stay slim for summer. Call Theresa Koermer for information 686-5991.

5. The Essex Heritage Society will hold a bake sale at the Middlesex Shopping Center on May 10th at 10:00 a.m.

P.T.A. NEWS

1. PARENTS AND TEACHERS - The end of another year of activity for your P.T.A. has come to a close. It has been a very enjoyable year for me. Working with such fine officers and committee chairman. Without their help nothing could have been achieved. P.T.A. work to most of us was new. But together we did achieve some of the goals we planned at the beginning of the year.

Membership - over 400
Drug Abuse Program - Very good results
Vandalism
Drop-In Center for Teenagers
Closer working relations with the policemen

I am looking forward to next years goals. Most of us on the Executive Board are busy now and will work this summer to prepare for P.T.A. work for next year. We are hoping that you will work with us. The children of Sussex and all children need adult help.

2. ARE-U-WAITING BY THE PHONE? A lot of times willing people are waiting to be called upon to help. We do not want for you to be overlooked. Your helping hands are needed in 1969-70. The P.T.A. needs committee chairmen-teacher helpers and ladies for the Health and Library, etc. If you are interested send this mini slip to school.

Name _____

Phone Number _____

I would really like to be involved with the following _____

Heritage Society is holding an auction at the Essex Elementary School, May 24. Donations of clothing, tools, toys, radios, knick-knacks, dishes lamps, books, and furniture will be gratefully accepted. Bring items to Roland Corey, 602 Maryland Ave., or phone MU. 7-5083 for pick-up service.

April 17, 1969

The Heritage Society of Essex-Middle River, sponsored by the Essex Recreation Council, will hold a bake sale May 10, 10 a.m., at the Middlesex Shopping Center. The funds will go toward the Heritage Society's programs.

April 30, 1969

The County Council will meet with us in the county office building on Thursday, May 1, 1969 at 8:00 p.m. to discuss our budget. Please try to attend, if you need a ride call 687-0682.

PARKS AND RECREATION Council
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Essex Times

June 5, 1969

Heritage Society of Essex-Middle River's auction and rummage sale was a huge success. Alex Baumgartner, sends his thanks to all the people of the Essex Community for their generous donations and to the many volunteers who participated by working for the auction.

The Heritage Society will have a float in the Essex 4th of July parade and are asking for young volunteers from age 9 years old and up to participate in the parade. If your youngster is willing to take part in the parade call Alex Baumgartner (686-6148) for information.

Four gowns were donated to the Heritage Society by Judy's Gown Shoppe on 3201 Eastern Avenue, which were greatly appreciated.

Heritage Society Fetes Founding By Printing Historical Magazine

Glimpses of the Essex-Middle River community's past have been unfolded in the local heritage society's 60th anniversary printing of the community's first historical magazine.

The infant Heritage Society of Essex-Middle River, started nine months ago as an Essex Recreation Council affiliate, published the 28-page heritage magazine to mark the community's 60th anniversary today, June 26. Only 5,000 copies are being sold at the society's temporary headquarters, 113 Riverside

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Road, for 50 cents per copy (60 cents by mail).

Proceeds from the magazine's sale, a society spokesman said this week, "will be used to renovate or refurbish the permanent home of the Heritage Society at Cedar Point."

The heritage magazine will also be sold during the Fourth of July celebration at Cox's Point Park.

The historical magazine, printed in an antique brown hue, reveals the early history of the community (researched by the local heritage society's members), the first churches, the first Essex school, old photographs, personal remembrances, the Essex fire, historical landmarks, the first shoe repair shop, and other highlights from the community's past.

The magazine's cover shows an old-time Back River street car within a wooden frame with two gas lamps on either side of the frame. At the top of the cover is the society's name: "The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River. And, in a name-tag styled label attached to the lower left corner of the frame is: "60th Anniversary. Essex-1909-1969."

The magazine's center-fold reads in old English print: "It is with great pride that The Heritage Society of Essex and

Middle River joins with the community in celebration of its 60th Anniversary.

"May we all pause for a moment to reflect the heritage of our past and look forward to a greater and glorious future.

"Through these pages we find glimpses of our past, with personal recounting of the times as they happened in the struggle to create the community as it is today."

And, the center-fold reads: "Bearing great thought in mind the present of today is but our heritage to tomorrow."

Some of the personal remembrances in the community's first historical magazine were written by Mrs. Edith Smith Asher (a Sunday Sun reprint), "Middle River As A 5-Family 'Town'"; Carrie Wood Lawton, "First Special Police Officer"; Joseph Oronson, "When Essex Was Young"; and Mrs. Anna Persia

Betkey, "First Shoe Repair Shop".

Alex Baumgartner, current president of the local 105-member society, wrote in the magazine's introduction: "This publication contains some of the information and pictures we have collected.

"Due to the limited space, we couldn't print all the stories, etc. However, we are very grateful to everyone who has contributed so generously to our Society....

"The history on the churches is, no doubt, more accurate as to dates since the churches usually kept a written history," Mr. Baumgartner wrote: "The articles, for the most part, are from the memories of the writers."

The members of the infant heritage society researched many of the dates and much of the community's history. The society published the magazine,

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60th Year Today



Magazine Marks Community's Founding

LOOKING AT PAST--The ESSEX TIMES' girl Friday, JoAnn Smyth, looks over The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River's historical publication printed in commemoration of the community's 60th anniversary today, June 26.

The heritage magazine's center-fold has eight old photographs such as the 1929 construction of the Glenn L. Martin plant, the

look of Josenhans corner during 1925, the surveyor's stone of "Hines Purchase" erected before the Revolutionary War at Mace and Franklin Avenues, and others.

The magazine, which sells for 50 cents (60 cents by mail), contains personal remembrances as well as other historical accounts.

(OVER)

Essex Times

June 26, 1969

"Heritage Society Celebrates Founding by Printing Historical Magazine"

60th Year

(Continued from page 1)

and Milton Parizek and Associates, of 1907 Longview Avenue, did the layout and design.

The Baltimore County Recreation and Parks Department recently allowed the local heritage society to use the over 200-year-old mansion at Cedar Point to establish a county museum. The mansion stands within the boundaries of the Eastern Area Park.



PRES. ALEX BAUMGARTNER



SECRETARY HELEN BAUMGARTNER

1st ELECTED OFFICERS

MYRTLE DUDROW ACTED
AS TREASURER FROM
OCT. 1968 to JAN. 1969



TREASURER
MARY COREY

VICE PRESIDENT
LAURA HENSLER



1st Place Trophy for Float Won by
The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River
July 4, 1969
ESSEX PARADE



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The magazine will be a treasured book for any Essex-Middle River resident's bookshelf, or family album.

The TIMES pats The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River on the back for lighting the community's 60th anniversary candle with this magazine and says: "Congratulations for a job well done."

With the first edition limited to 5,000 copies, we urge residents to buy the magazine before they are sold out.

W.L.G.



ESSEX PARADE



July 4, 1969





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July 4, 1969





Awarding of TROPHIES

July 4, 1969





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JULY 4, 1969



ESSEX RECREATION AND PARKS COUNCIL
and
BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

present an

OLD FASHIONED



OF

JULY



Games

Picnic'ng

Concert

COX'S POINT PARK

(End of Riverside Drive, Essex)

Boat Races

Parade

Fireworks Display

Essex Times
November 20, 1969



Added To Local History

GAINS LOCAL HERITAGE - The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River was given the above items to be placed in the group's proposed museum at Cedar Point. The items are: an 1899 beer bottle, a World War I copper lock and key, and a copper rifle shell, all donated by Mrs. Kay Wolfe; two flags which were given to Mrs. Myrtle Lindsay Dudrow, one when her son was killed in October, 1944, and another when her first husband died in August, 1947; a history book of the 83rd Infantry Division from 1942-45 entitled "A Thunder Bolt Across Europe"; an 18-inch doll made of early formula composite in 1923 with original dress and blanket which was donated by Mrs. Dudrow; and five arrowheads found by Madeline Blum at Cedar Point.





MEETING ON CRAFTS

1969





July 4th 1969

Banner:- Mary Coray
Rita Hensler
Jeanne Hensler
Alicia Griffin

Costumes:- Jo Pugh
Rosemary Day
Helen Baumgartner
• Kathy Srengese
Bill Blum
• Tom Callaway
Bobby Hensler

Cake:- John Sliggs

Bopos:- Diane Baumgartner / Chrissy Hensler
Chris Pugh / Sherril Hensler
Ken Pugh
Charles Day
Bobby Day
Frankie Day
Johnny Griffin
Patty Griffin
Kelly Griffin
Valerie Griffin



Magazine Car: - Ken Pugh
Emma Dunham
• Alice Rejzo
Helen Baumgartner

Antique Car: - Ben Taylor

Butcher: Al Baumgartner

Helpers on cake and at Parade:

Frank Blum
Madaline Blum
Marie Blum
Carle Scoggins

July 4th Fete Tomorrow

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climax with a 45-minute fire-works display.

Remarking on last year's fireworks, Mr. Crowell said, that the on-lookers could also view from Cox's Point six other fireworks displays being held throughout this end of Baltimore County.

Cox's Point Park, which

opens at 9 a.m., will house games and concessions scheduled throughout the day with the limited number of parking spaces available on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Later in the afternoon, Mr. Crowell said, a shuttle bus will be running from a spot at Maryland and Taylor Avenues to the park.

The parade units are as follows:
(This is not the parade line-up in order)

1. USS Marine Corp.
2. Golden Knights - band
3. Grand Marshalls - Mary Kidd and Bessie Moroz
4. Master of Ceremonies - Robert Romadka
5. Essex V.F.W. - marching unit
6. Sons of V.F.W. - marching unit
7. V.F.W. Majorettes
8. U.S. Senator - Joseph Tydings
9. Essex American Legion - marching unit
10. State Senator - James Pine
11. House of Delegate - Joseph Schirano
12. House of Delegate - Donald Hutchinson
13. Chairman - Baltimore County Council - Harry Bartenfelder
14. Catholic War Vets - marching unit
15. Blue Berets - marching unit
16. Vet-ettes - majorettes
17. Disabled Vets - dec. car
18. Essex Golden Age - dec. car
19. Heritage Society - float
20. Antique Car - Heritage Society
21. Trinity Temple - float
22. Odenton Kids
23. National Brewery truck
24. Essex Fire Dept. - fire chief
25. Essex Fire Engine
26. Happy Squares - float
27. Essex Motorcycle Club
28. Ladies Fitness - dec. car
29. Mr. Shanholtz - midget car
30. Eastside Angels - majorette
31. Middleborough Fire Engine
32. Middleborough Fire Engine
33. Brownie Troop 727 - marching unit
34. Sussex Teen Center - dec. car
35. Cub Pack 745 - float
36. Cub Pack 745 - marching unit
37. Arundelettes - majorette
38. Cub Pack 372 - marching unit
39. Miss Essex-Middle River dec. car
40. Essex Tackle Football - float
41. Family of Gay 90's
42. Spartans - majorette
43. Wynn's Truck - dec. car
44. Self Defense - marching unit
45. Self Defense - car
46. Tap & Ballet - float
47. Middle River Ambulance
48. Middle River rescue truck
49. Middle River station wagon
50. Middle River Underwater Rescue

51. Silver Eagle Drum and Bugle Band
52. Essex Cadettes - majorette
53. Grace's Beauty Salon - dec. car
54. Cub Pack 355 - float
55. Sharon-ettes - majorette
56. Cub Scouts 907 - marching unit
57. Essex-Middle River Chamber of Commerce - dec.
58. Chase Twirlwinds - majorettes
59. Campfire girls - float
60. Gardenville - majorette
61. Cub Pack 799
62. Bill Eiler - tow truck
63. Queen of Chesapeake Bay - dec. car
64. Wilson Pt. Playground
65. Deep Creek Playground
66. Aero Acres Playground
67. Middleborough Playground
68. Campfire girls
69. Rosedale Royalettes - majorette
71. Middlesex Golden Age - float
72. Knights of Columbus - marching unit
73. Twiligher's Drum & Bugle - band
74. Mars Estate Teen Center - float
75. Oliver Beach Kadets - majorette
76. Dulaney Summer Theatre - dec. car
77. Irish Colleen - majorette
78. Irish Colleen - float
79. Stoney Creek Racing Assn. - boat
80. Stoney Creek Racing Assn. - boat
81. One Sixteeners - majorette
82. Belford Driving School - float
83. County Ridge Civic Assn. - float
84. Fifth leg. Republican Club Car
85. Joy Bredariol - Horses

7 July 3, 1969 Essex Times

July 10, 1969 Essex Times





Touring Cockeysville Heritage

VISITING MUSEUM - Members of the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River toured the museum at Cockeysville July 20. Shown above on the tour are: (l-r) Etta Boone, Myrtle Dudrow, John McGrain, Virginia Borsos, Matilda Lacey, Emma Dunham, Marie Donaker, Alex Baumgartner, and Gertrude Brown. Others on the tour but not shown were: Dana Boone, Helen T. Baumgartner, Diane Baumgartner, and Helen B. Baumgartner.

*July 31, 1969
Essex Times*

Heritage Society Lauds Essex TIMES Articles

Dear Editor:

We, of the Heritage Society, find it difficult to express our thanks and appreciation for all you have done for us. Your articles and pictures concerning our Society, the old house at Cedar Point and our magazine, have helped a great deal in attracting and holding the interest of the people in our community. It is only through the cooperation and help of your newspaper, and the interest it generates, that we can continue to grow.

We are still trying to prove to Baltimore County that the old house at Cedar Point is worth restoring. It will be several months before this can be resolved. By then, we hope to have proof as to its age, as well as its origin.

Miss Matilda Lacey and other members of the Baltimore County Historical Society have gone out of their way to assist us.

Again, may we say thank you for all you have done.

Sincerely,
Alex Baumgartner
President
Heritage Society of
Essex and Middle River

Heritage Magazine Now Being Sold At 4 Businesses

The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River has placed the community's first heritage magazine commemorating the 60th anniversary of Essex on sale at several local businesses.

The magazine, which sells for 50 cents on these stands, is being sold at: (1) The Essex TIMES, Germania Federal Building, 809 Eastern Boulevard; (2) Jo's Grocery, 114 Riverside Road; (3) Hoffmaster's Office Supply, 5 Margaret Avenue; and (4) M and R Refrigeration, 417 Eastern Boulevard.

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Carroll County Md Farm Museum
Oct. 11, 1969



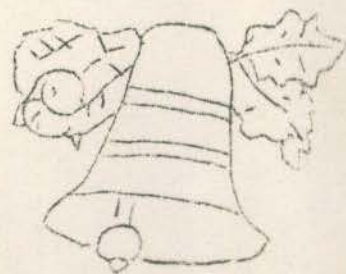


Corral Md. Oct. 11, 1969
County Farm Museum



ESSEX RECREATION & PARKS COUNCIL

THE HERITAGE SOCIETY
OF ESSEX & MIDDLE
RIVER INC



"PUTTING CHRIST BACK INTO CHRISTMAS"

A LIVING NATIVITY SCENE DONE IN PANTOMINE TO CHRISTMAS CAROLS.

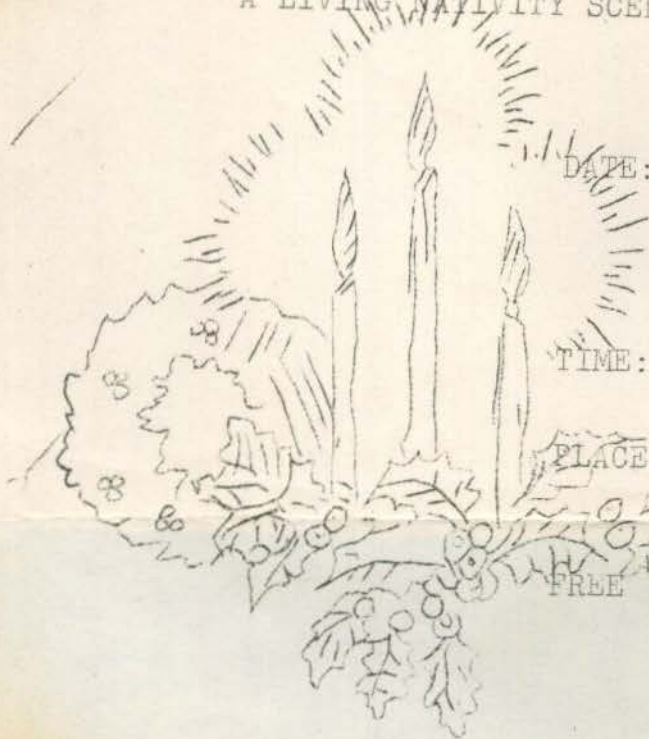
DATE: SUNDAY, MONDAY & TUESDAY

DECEMBER 21, 22, & 23

TIME: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

PLACE STEPS OF ESSEX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

FREE ADMISSION



BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION & PARKS

essexmuseum.com



Heritage Society Enacts Nativity

TO STAGE PAGEANT--The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River pageant players are shown rehearsing above for the group's "Putting Christ Back Into Christmas" production of the living Nativity Scene and pantomime to Christmas carols, which will take place on the steps of the Essex Elementary School on December 21-23, 7-9 p.m. There will be three enactments within the two-hour production time. There will be no admission charge, and the public is invited.

Essex Times
December 18, 1969



LEFT to Right

Rita
HERDSLER

Bob
HERDSLER

Chris
PUGH

DIANA
LEARY



MARY
Corey

HELEN
BAUMGARTNER



VICTOR
REYNOLDS

DAVID
HOKE

KEVIN
PUGH

LEFT
RIGHT

Joyce
MOORE

PAM
LONG

REGINA
KEENER

CINDY
LONG

DIANE
BAUMGARTNER

CATHY
CAPECCI
COPECHE

Joyce
MOORE

PAM LONG

REGINA
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BAUMGARTNER

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COPECHE
CAPECCI

ENTIRE
CAST







GEORGE HENSLER DONATING TO ALEX BAUMGARTNER
A LINECUTTING OF THE OLD BACK RIVER STREET
CARS.

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Essex Times June 26 - 1969

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Virginia Borsos brought a family heirloom quilt to the last meeting which will be used as a pattern for a replica. Names of patrons will be hand embroidered on the new quilt to raise funds for the society. When completed, the quilt will become a relic for the Society to use when it moves to a permanent home. Have your name, your family, friends, relatives, or pets names embroidered on this quilt for the small fee. For information, phone Virginia Borsos, chairman, OV 2-2139.

Essex Times
3/9/69

Refreshments were served at the February 20th meeting of the Heritage Society by the following Hostesses: Rita Hensler, Helen Baumgartner and Diane Baumgartner.

Al Baumgartner President, sends his "Thanks" to all volunteers and donors for their efforts in making the cake sale a success.

Bus trips planned for the society are: May 3rd, Lancaster, Penna., leaving Essex at 8 a.m. and returning 8 p.m.; June 7th, Washington, D.C., leaving Essex 7:30 a.m. and returning 5 p.m.; July 5th, Kutztown, Penna., leaving Essex 8 a.m. returning 8 p.m.; and October 11th, Westminster. Non-members welcome to go on these tours. Buses will hold only 49 passengers and all reservations must be made on a first come basis. Get your reservations early. Laura Hensler and Al Baumgartner are co-chairmen, Phone 686-6148 for information.

Heritage Society is beginning its membership drive. If you or your family and friends would like to join come to the Essex Elementary School-Recreation Center in the cafeteria on any 1st or 3rd Thursday of each month. Time 8 to 10 p.m.



Carroll County Md
Oct. 11, 1969
Farm Museum



Thief Steals Cedar Point Tombstone

Heritage Society Offers \$500

As Reward For Historical Marker

One of the over 200-year-old tombstones recently uncovered on Cedar Point has been stolen, and the local heritage society offered a \$500 reward this week in hopes of its safe return.

The stolen tombstone marked to grave site of Tobias Stansbury, who died on May 4, 1769, and was found missing this past weekend by the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River members digging around the area.

Alex Baumgartner, president of the one-year-old historical group, said early this week that the \$500 reward is offered for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons involved in the crime, and he asked local merchants to add to the historical group's reward.

"If we can make the reward large enough, the thief will find it (the tombstone) not worth a cent in his possession," remarked Mr. Baumgartner.

"Don't let the thief profit from his crime by selling this stone," he said, as a general comment to all Essex-Middle River residents.

Apparently quite upset over the missing gravestone, Mr. Barimgartner lamented that "The Heritage Society of Essex

and Middle River, Inc., spent one year of hard work researching the old house at Cedar Point and trying to convince Baltimore County of the historical value of this property--to no avail."

"It took a bulldozer a few minutes to uncover the tombstone," he continued: "Yet, those few minutes were all that was necessary to prove what we had been trying to prove since October, 1968--that our community had history as old or possibly even older than some of the wealthier sections of Baltimore County, and that we had something here that could make the rest of the state sit up and take notice."

"Here was something we (the community) could point to with pride," remarked Mr. Baumgartner. "And, what happened? A thief had to disturb a 200-year-old grave and steal its stone."

He asked: "What sort of person could do a thing like that--to rob the dead because the stone had a pretty verse carved on it?"

"Do we want the name of grave robbers stuck to the name of our community," queried the historical group's president.

The stolen tombstone was one of four uncovered near the end of August while workmen were grading for the county golf course in the new Eastern Area Park.

But, finding the missing stone is uppermost in Mr. Baumgartner's mind. He said that if the person who has the stone would return it to Cedar Point, or contact him (686-6148) as to where the stone could be found, the local society would not press charges, and the reward would be withdrawn.

Above all, he said, he did not want the stone destroyed.

The Heritage Society of Essex-Middle River will hold a Christmas bazaar to help refurbish the Cedar Point mansion on November 22, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., at the Essex Elementary School. Christmas cards, gifts wrappings, gifts and other items will be sold. Etta Boone is the bazaar's chairman.

Essex Times
Oct. 2, 1969

Essex Times

Sept. 25, 1969



2 More Cedar Point Tombstones Stolen

David Cordray, superintendent of the Eastern area park, off Back River Neck Road, said early Tuesday that two more historic tombstones at Cedar Park were stolen late Monday night.

Mr. Cordray said that he nor the county police had any leads on the thief.

During the changing of night watchmen at approximately 11:30 p.m. Monday was when the tombstones were found missing.

The two missing tombstones are the ones of an unidentified grave site. The grave marker of Jane Stansbury is still intact near the Cedar Point mansion.

Since finding the missing tombstone of Tobias Stansbury, Alex Baumgartner, president of the local heritage society, is having the marker drilled for lead rods so that the tombstone can be permanently placed at the grave.

Essex Times
Oct 2, 1969

Etta Boone - Myrtle Audrow -
John Mc Grain - Virginia Bossov -
Matilda Lacey - Emma Audham -
Marie Dancker - Alex Baumgartner
Gertrude Brown
Balto. Cty Historical Museum
July 20, 1969 Cockeyville Md



Missing Tombstone Found Undamaged

The historic Cedar Point Gravestone reported missing last week has been found.

Officer N.L. Cushing, of the Essex Police station, found the gravestone two weeks ago near the Giant Food Store in Stemmers Run Road, and at the time, the local historical society reported it stolen, the tombstone was actually in the lost-and-found room of the local police station.

Alex Baumgartner, local historical society president, commended the police officer for noticing the historical grave marker and recovering it before any damage occurred.

Essex Times
Oct 2, 1969

John Mc Grain - Etta Boone -
Emma Audham - Virginia Bossov
Myrtle Audrow - Gertrude Brown
Helen Baumgartner - Matilda Lacey
Balto. County Historical Museum
July 20, 1969 Cockeyville Md









DIGGING EXHIBITION- 1969
EASTERN AVE. RIGHT BEFORE
JOSEPH'S CORNER- NOTHING
WAS REALLY FOUND



Two Historian
Alex J. Baumgardner
Historian's
Book

1970-

820 Bradley Road
Jeppa, Maryland 21085
February 9, 1970

Essex Historical Society

Dear Friends,

From time to time each of us is called upon to give a hand, yet our commitments prevent an affirmative response.

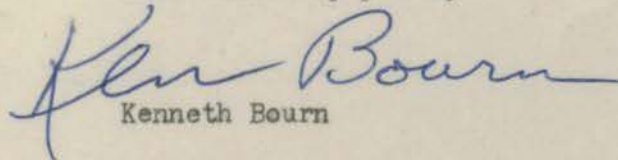
Such was the case when my colleagues at Deep Creek Junior High asked me to talk to them about the history of Essex. Your organization came to the rescue.

Ofcourse I was not at the meeting to hear the reports the ladies made; However, the reports are glowing. Word from the staff at Deep Creek is that the program was a smashing success.

Three cheers for Essex. Not only its past but the fine people who make up its present also.

My home may have moved from the Essex area, but not my heart. Thank you - just for being you.

Most sincerely yours,


Kenneth Bourn

706 Washington Avenue
Towson, Maryland 21204
June 1, 1970

Mr. Alexander Baumgartner
President, The Heritage Society of Essex
and Middle River
113 Riverside Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21221

Dear Mr. Baumgartner:

I was very pleased and honored to receive a citation from the Heritage Society of Essex at my retirement dinner.

I have spent all my working years in the community of Essex and am deeply appreciative of the many fine people in the community and what they have done. Surely they have helped me many a time. I shall always have fond memories of Essex. It has been a pleasure to work here.

May I commend your organization on the fine and interesting projects you have instituted and I wish the Society the greatest success in their endeavors.

May I thank you again for the citation and especially for the honor of being deemed worthy of such an award.

Sincerely yours,

Helen Lillie

DEEP CREEK JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

1000 South Marlyn Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21221

Office of the Principal

February 2, 1970

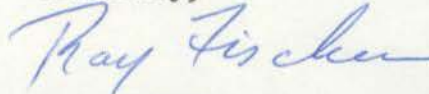
The Heritage Society of Essex
and Middle River
113 Riverside Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21221

Dear Members:

The faculty of Deep Creek Junior-Senior High School wishes to express their gratitude and sincere thanks for the informative presentation on our community by Mrs. Hulseman and Mr. Kobylski.

Many favorable comments and discussions have resulted from your presentation.

Sincerely,



Ray Fischer
Deep Creek Junior-Senior High School

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September, 1970

Dear Middle River Neighbors:

Thank you for your donations to the Middle River Heritage Society for the restoring of their Mansion.

I, as a Boy Scout of Troop # 897, took this on my own as my personal community project because I feel we need to bring out and show that Middle River is just as important to our World History as any other historical area. The boys I asked to help me had the same feeling, that Middle River is full of **History**.

Your donations and interest helped me collect a grand total of \$104.83.

Thank you again,

Sincerely,

Richard G. Magsamen, Jr.
Scout, Richard G. Magsamen, Jr.

TOUR OF ESSEX AND MIDDLE RIVER

- 1:30 P.M. - Leave Cockeysville
- 2:00 P.M. - Arrive Essex School - Slide Presentation
Sample house built in 1909 became 1st Essex School in 1913 (p.4)
Portable Schools opened in 1918 (later used as 2nd school of
Essex Community College)
Present Essex School built in 1925 with addition in 1942
- 2:45 P.M. - Leave Essex School - drive down Dorsey Avenue past - - -
1st house built by Essex Co. in 1909 (picture on p.3)
Portable Schools - 1918 (story on p. 4)
Turn left onto Marlyn Ave. to Stemmers Run Rd. and left past - -
Home of Howard Milling - County Councilman - 1929
Home of Howard Jackson - Mayor of Baltimore City
Kenwood Sr. High - 1st home of Essex Community College
Out Golden Ring Rd. (by-passing Zion Church temporarily because of
wedding) - to Philadelphia Rd. - right on Philadelphia Rd.
- 2:55 P.M. - Arrive Grimaldi's Marble Works - Shrine to St. Sabastian
- 3:15 P.M. - Leave Grimaldi's and return to Golden Ring Rd.
- 3:20 P.M. - Arrive Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church - short history & tour (p.16)
Prior to 1865 - site of Howard Church (Locust Grove Iron Ore Mines)
1867 - 1st service of United German Lutheran & Reformed Church
1896 - present church built
1964 - outside of present church bricked and remodeled
- 3:40 P.M. - Leave Zion Church - continue out Golden Ring Rd. past ---
Race Rd. (Stemmer House - now located on Caves Rd. in Owings Mills -
originally built prior to 1744 on corner of Race Rd. and Stemmers
Run Rd. by Principio Iron Ore Mines for use by Augustine Washing-
ton and his sons Lawrence and later George as a stop-over house
during their inspections of mines in this vicinity.) (p.12)
Locust Grove Iron Ore Mines - 1845-1885 (Robert Howard was the
Ironmaster who built the Howard Church (now Zion's) for his
miners and their families.
- 3:45 P.M. - Arrive Orem's Methodist Church (p.19) (Orem's Road)
1771 - Francis Asbury appointed by John Wesley to minister to
Middle River Communities
1859 - 2nd church built - now used as Community Hall
1949 - present church built
- 3:55 P.M. - Leave Orem's Church - continue out Orem's Rd. past ---
Red Shield Boys Club
- 4:00 P.M. - Arrive Chesapeake Park (Martin's) for guided tour
- 5:00 P.M. - Leave Chesapeake Park - out Eastern Blvd. and left onto Old Eastern
Avenue - past ---
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel R.C. Church -
1893 - 1st wooden church built
1920 - lower church and bell tower built
1937 - upper church added



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September 30, 1969

Mr. Alex E. Baumgartner, President
The Heritage Society of Essex & Middle River
113 Riverside Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21221

Dear Mr. Baumgartner:

It was very thoughtful of you to write me under date of September 28, 1969, and apprise me of the service rendered your society, as well as the community, by Officer Norman L. Cushing of our Essex Station, in locating and returning a two hundred year old historical marker that had been stolen from a grave in the Back River Neck area.

Although the assistance rendered by Officer Cuashing is considered routine, it is most gratifying to learn that he performed his duties in a manner that elicited your praise.

In order that Officer Cushing may be cognizant of your kind remarks, I am taking the liberty of fowarding a copy of your letter to him for his perusal. An additional copy will be placed in his personnel file where it will remain as a permanent record of his performances.

Thank you for your kindness in bringing this matter to my attention, and please be assured of this Department's wholehearted cooperation in all matters of mutual concern.

Sincerely yours,

Ellison W. Ensor
Chief of Police

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BEN TAYLOR & MIKE ROSENTHAL-
1970- BUILD A COFFIN FOR
HOUSE OF HORRORS.



ONE OF THE SIGHTS
AT THE HOUSE OF HORRORS
WITH A DUMMY
HANGING -1970



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LADY LOST HER HEAD IN
THE HOUSE OF HORRORS
1970



ONE OF THE SIGHTS
AT THE HOUSE OF
HORRORS WITH A
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BEN TAYLOR STANDING
IN COFFIN WITH
FRANKENSTEIN MASK ON-
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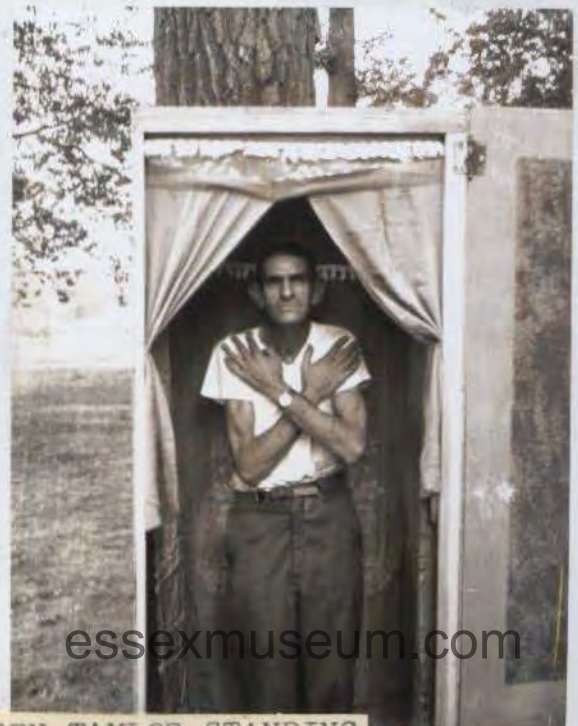
ONE OF THE SIGHTS AT THE HOUSE OF HORRORS WITH A LADY SITTING HOLDING HER OWN HEAD- 1970



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ONE OF THE SIGHTS AT THE HOUSE OF HORRORS WITH A LADY IN A TUB WITH A PITCH FORK & SWORD IN HER- 1970



BEN TAYLOR STANDING IN COFFIN- 1970



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ONE OF THE SIGHTS AT THE HOUSE OF HORRORS WITH SPIDERS THAT AND SNAKES ON THIS FACE- 1970



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BEN TAYLOR LAYING IN COFFIN- 1970



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Week-long Horror At Cox's Point

House of Horrors To Chill Halloweeners



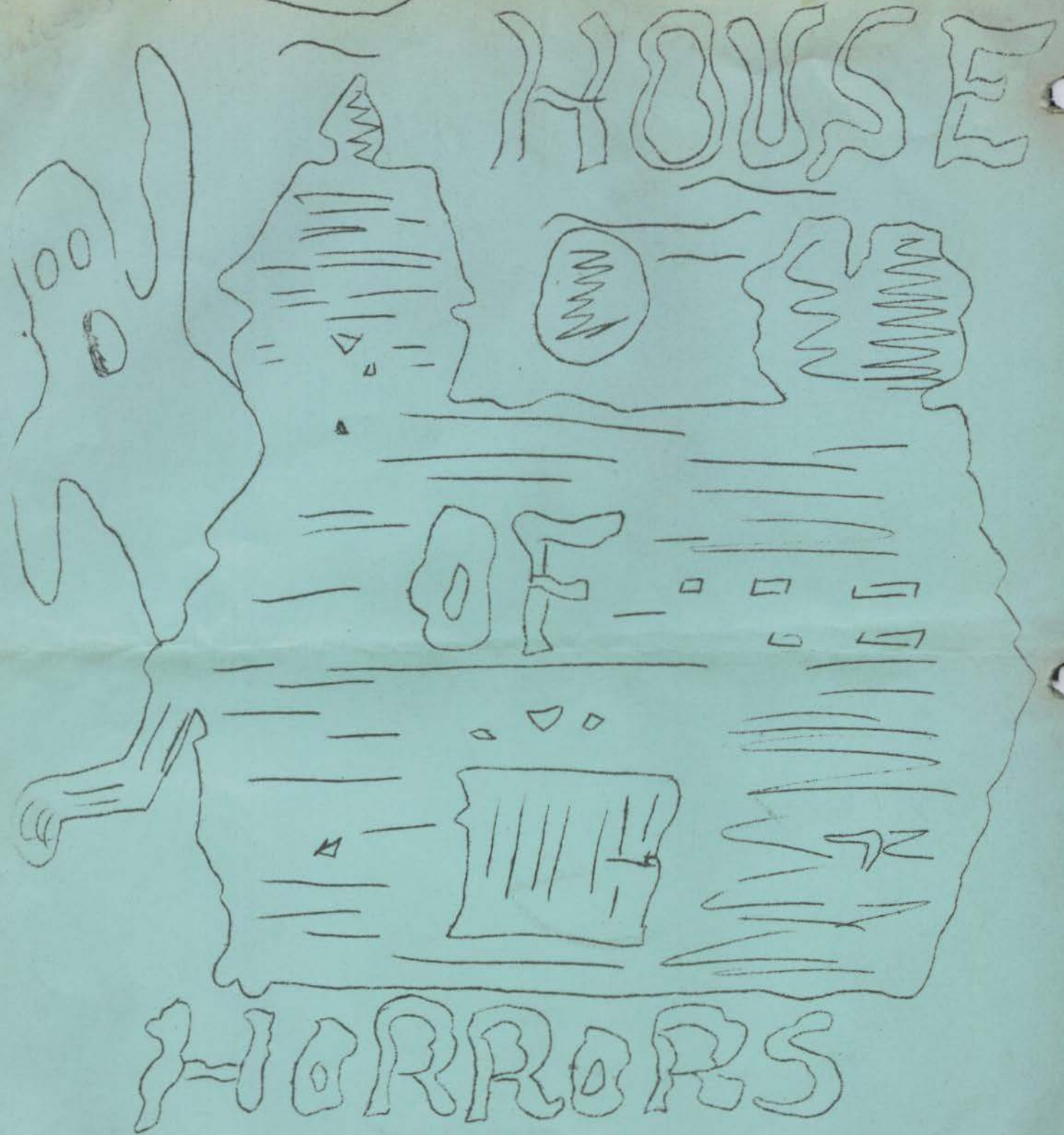
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PARDON ME PLEASE--Local youngsters may do just as this lady did---lose their heads---when they visit the "House of Horrors" scheduled at Cox's Point October 26 to November 1 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.



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TO LIE DOWN ON THE JOB--Ben Taylor and Mike Rosenthal build a coffin for the October 26 to November 1 House of Horrors at Cox's Point. Four Essex Recreation and Parks council groups are planning the Halloween treat: Essex Cadettes, Happy Squares, Sussex Teen-age Center and the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River.



COX'S POINT PARK: End of Riverside Dr.

October 26 thru Nov. 1 7 to 10 p.m.

Donation 50¢

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BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

COME IF YOU BRRED

Halloween Haunt

Opens Monday

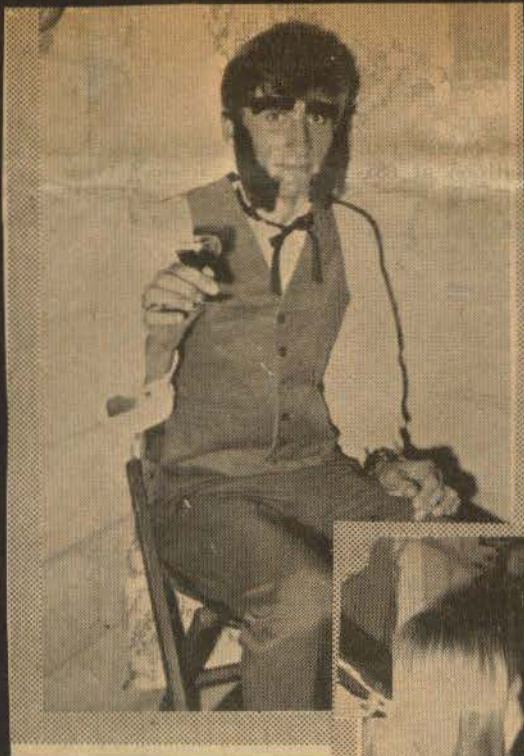
These are some of the spooky scenes being prepared by four Essex Recreation and Parks Council groups (the Essex Cadettes, Happy Squares, Sussex Teens, and Heritage Society) at Cox's Point Park. Called the "House of Horrors", the Halloween special will be open to the public at a small admission cost from Monday, October 26, to Sunday, November 1, 7-10 p.m. nightly.



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SPIDERS IN AND OUT--This is one of the sights that will shake area youngsters at Cox's Point from October 26 to November 1. Also featured at the House of Horrors will be the double of Quentin from "Dark Shadows", television show. Admission to the Halloween fright is 50 cents.

Community Heritage Society Founder Dies

One of the founders of the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River, Emma Dunham, of 313 Lorraine Avenue, died Saturday afternoon, Feb. 7, after suffering a massive heart attack. She was 45.

Mrs. Dunham, a widow, was buried in Oak Lawn Cemetery Wednesday, Feb. 11. She was married to the late Wallis W. Dunham.

Though suffering from a weak heart and diabetes for the past few years, Mrs. Dunham was one of the most active members of the local Heritage Society. She was on the group's board of directors and was a trustee.

Interested in Essex-Middle River history, Mrs. Dunham researched all the churches throughout the community and wrote an article on the local churches in the group's historical magazine — a first in the community. She also helped raise funds to restore the mansion at Cedar Point — the local group's planned community museum.

Known as "Miss Emma" by many local youngsters, she ran the Essex VFW teen center, formed by her father, John R. Diggs, in the VFW Post No. 2621 hall, which was later moved to the Essex Moose Lodge on Riverside Drive. She ran the center until 1964.

A member of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Essex VFW Post No. 2621 for 21 years, Mrs. Dunham was cited by the local post for her part in the annual VFW Buddy Poppy sales. She also participated in

Cancer Society and Multiple Sclerosis fund campaigns.

Since the heritage society is affiliated with the Essex Recreation and Parks Council, Mrs. Dunham often volunteered in many of the council's affairs as the annual Easter egg hunts and speed boat races off Cox's Point.

Mrs. Dunham is survived by her son, Nelson; and a brother, John Diggs.



EMMA DUNHAM

Essex Times

February 12, 1970

THE TIMES, Essex, Maryland

Thursday, October 2, 1969

The Heritage Society of Essex-Middle River will hold a Christmas bazaar to help refurbish the Cedar Point mansion on November 22, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., at the Essex Elementary School. Christmas cards, gifts wrappings, gifts and other items will be sold. Etta Boone is the bazaar's chairman.



Heritage Society Is A Year Old

FETES FIRST ANNIVERSARY -- Founders of the Essex-Middle River Heritage Society (l-r, Myrtle Dudrow, Laura Hensler, Al Baumgartner, Virginia Borsos, and Emma Dunham) cut the group's first anniversary cake during the group's September 18 celebration. The local heritage society, which won trophies in the July 4th parade for the best float and the antique car, also gave trophies to members for an outstanding job -- banner: Mary Corey, Rita Hensler, Jeanne Hensler, Alicia Griffin; costumes: Jo Pugh, Rosemary Day, Helen Baumgartner, Kathy Svezese, Bill Blum, Tom Callaway, Bobby Hensler; cake: John Diggs; boxes: Diane Baumgartner, Chris Pugh, Ken Pugh, Charles Day, Bobby Day, Frankie Day, Johnny Griffin, Patty Griffin, Kelly Griffin, Valerie Griffin, Chrissy Hensler, Sherrie Hensler; magazine car: Ken Pugh, Emma Dunham, Alice Rizzo, Helen Baumgartner; butcher: Al Baumgartner; antique car: Ben Taylor, Josephine Crusse, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ghormley; and helpers: Frank Blum, Madaline Blum, Marie Blum, Earle Scoggins.

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LUNCHEON BINGO

BENEFIT OF

HERITAGE SOCIETY OF ESSEX & MIDDLE RIVER

SAT. MARCH 22, 1969

428 VIRGINIA AVE.

TIME 1 P.M.

DONATION \$1.25

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"Miss Heritage" Doll & Wardrobe

- A COLLECTOR'S ITEM -

Reproduction of an 1850 doll with bisque head, hands & feet. Her cloth body & all her clothes are handmade.

- Only two of these 15 in. dolls were made -

The winner gets one & the other goes into the Museum of The Heritage Society of Essex & Middle River, Inc. Proceeds for the Restoration Fund of Cedar Point Mansion. Drawing held at our 1st Annual Antique & Art Show & Sale - at Cox's Point Park.

SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 1970

Donation \$1.00

No 0428

THE *Heritage* SOCIETY of ESSEX and MIDDLE RIVER

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The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River are contemplating the production of a Magazine devoted to the preservation of Historical Buildings and Land Marks in the Essex-Middle River areas. Thru the production they hope to enlighten the business men and residents of this area of the vast amount of history that surrounds our community. Your cooperation necessary to make this publication a success is requested in the form of an advertisement.

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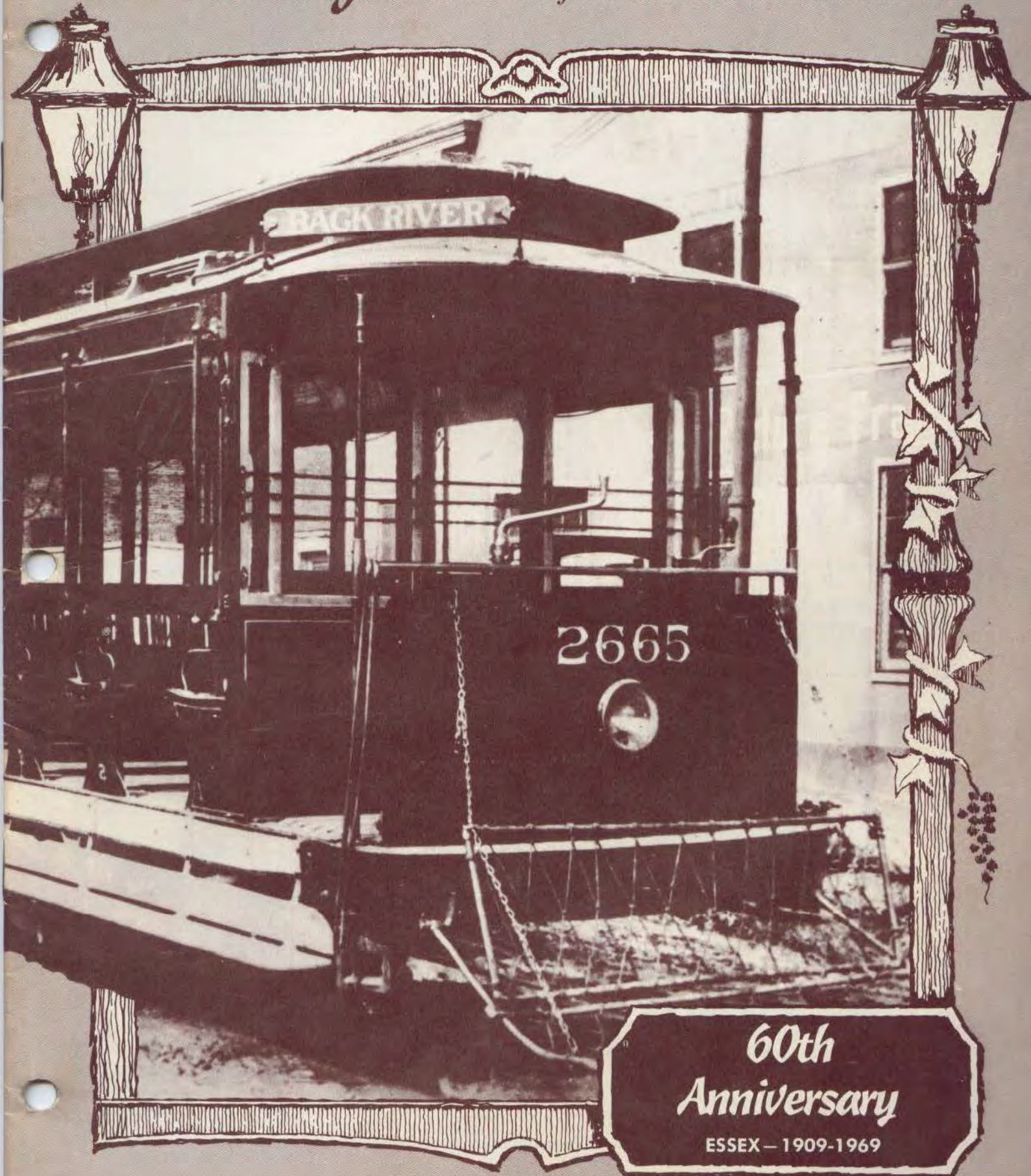
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SOCIETY - COX'S POINT PARK
MAY 17, 1970



THE *Heritage* SOCIETY of ESSEX and MIDDLE RIVER



60th
Anniversary

ESSEX - 1909-1969



*The B. Bugatch Stores, Inc.
salutes the Essex-Middle River Heritage
Society and their officers for their valiant
efforts in researching the history of this
community and surroundings.*

*Our store founded in 1914 by my father
has also made history, and we who are
proud of our own history and heritage
gladly link with the Essex-Middle River
Heritage Society in urging each and every
one to help in their research efforts.*

Cordially yours,

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Treasurer

Dear Friend:

By now, we hope you know about our project - to restore and maintain as a museum, the old house at Cedar Point, located on property given in grant by Cecilius Calvert in 1659 to William Ball, great-grandfather of George Washington.

History has finally caught up with us. It was just waiting to be uncovered -- and we have only scratched the surface! Since the Colonists first settled on the waterways of this country, it stands to reason that much of the early history of the United States began within walking distance of you!

We are asking for your help in raising money to restore the 200-year old cemetery and this mansion, "Ballestone", located in the new Eastern Area Park. This can be done only with help of people such as you, for it was with your help we were able to publish our first magazine on the occasion of Essex's 60th birthday, June 26, 1969.

This is but one of our fund-raising projects. Another is our First Antique and Art Show and Sale to be held at Cox's Point Park on Saturday, June 20, 1970 from Noon to 6 p.m. At this show, some lucky person will be awarded one of the two 15-inch reproductions of an 1850 doll we have called "Miss Heritage". The second doll will be put in our museum.

Remember, busy hands make happy hearts. Please open your heart to the people and especially the children of our community by helping us to restore "Ballestone" so they will know "WE HAVE A HERITAGE OF WHICH WE ARE PROUD".

Sincerely,

Alex E. Baumgartner

Alex E. Baumgartner
President

CEDAR POINT MANSION
"BALLESTONE"



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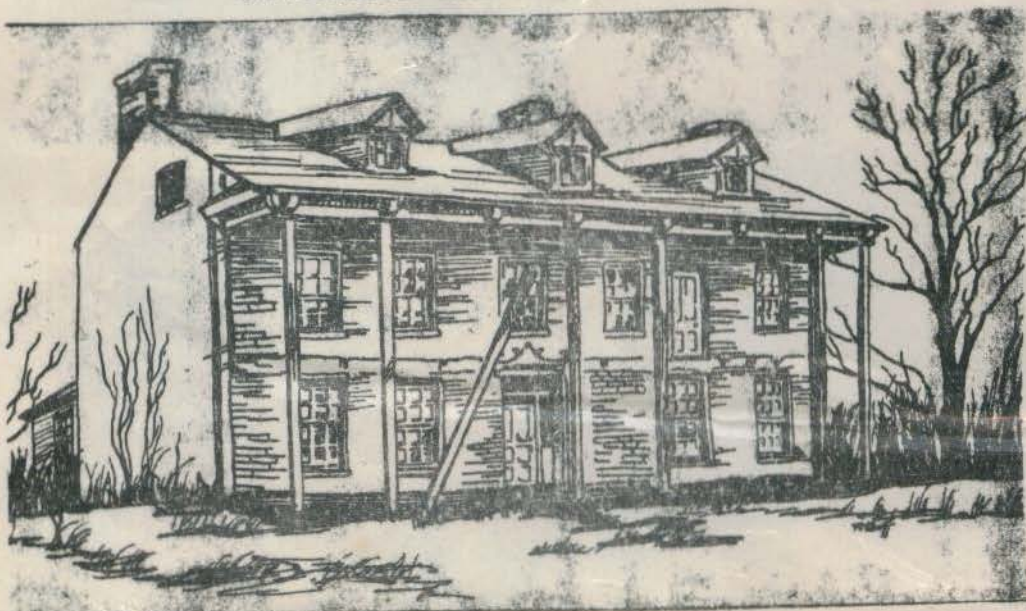
ANTIQUE & ART SHOW & SALE

SAT. - JUNE 20, 1970

NOON TO 6 P. M. - - - - DONATION 50¢

COX'S POINT PARK

RIVERSIDE DRIVE - ESSEX, MD.



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THE 200 YEAR OLD CEMETERY AND THE MANSION LOCATED AT CEDAR POINT

REFRESHMENTS ON SALE AT PARK INCLUDING CRAB CAKE PLATTER

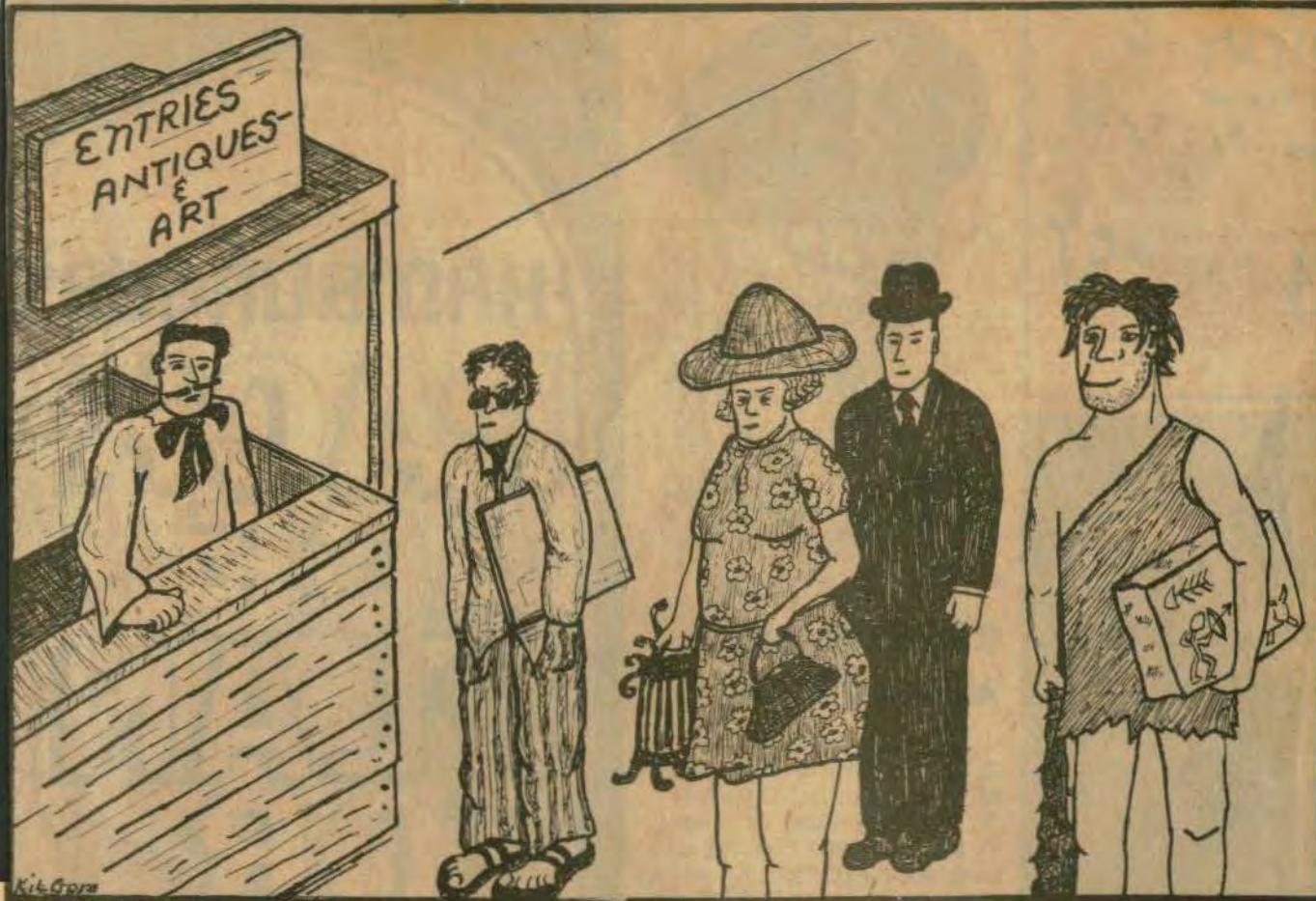
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Kit Gora

"Heritage Society Fund-Raising-June 20th"

A. Earle Bilcher, a Newark (N.J.) School of Fine and Industrial Arts graduate, has exhibited his works at the Butler Institute of American Art in Youngstown, Ohio; the 64th annual Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts; the Academic Artists Association in Springfield, Mass.; the recent Flower Mart; the Academy of the Arts in Easton, Mass.; the Baltimore Water Color Club; the Maryland Institute Alumni Association; and at Loyola College. One of his paintings was reproduced in the Paris and International Buyers Guide for 1970.

Mary Geeson, who has painted for 30 years, has taught art in both Baltimore

and Harford Counties recreation departments for 11 years. She is the art chairman for the Parkville Library Association, chairman of the Parkville Art Mart, chairman of the Fells Point Fun Festival for the past three years, and chairman of the Baltimore City Historical Art Show, which will be held June 7.

W. Reginald Watkins, who is considered the dean of Baltimore artists, has been an instructor at the Maryland Institute for the past 40 years. He is a member of the National

Society of Arts and Letters, Academic Artists Association, Baltimore Water Color Club, National Art Directors, and charter member of the Baltimore Art Directors. A former state director of American Art Week, Mr. Watkins has held one-man shows throughout the U.S. and Europe. He is well-known for his painting demonstrations.

The heritage society, sponsored by the Essex Recreation and Parks Council, is planning to open the Cedar Point antique and art show-sale at noon and

close at 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 20.

Also, to gain added funds, the local society is planning to sell two 15-inch replica of an 1850 doll and printed copies of a colonial lady and gentleman drawn in 1918 by Mrs. Jean Schulz, which can be colored or used as wood cut-out patterns.

Anyone who contributes to the restoration effort will sign a restoration fund book that will be displayed in the museum when restored. Donors will also receive a printed sketch of the mansion

Heritage Society Ready To Launch Fund-raiser To Build Museum

Four prominent artists from the metropolitan Baltimore area have been picked to judge the June 20 antique and art show-sale at Cedar Point -- the first Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River fund-raising hope towards restoring the 200-year-old mansion and cemetery into a local museum.

The four artists, according to Mrs. Helen Baumgartner, chairman of the heritage society's fund-raiser, are Alan Columbia, A. Earle Bilcher, Mary T. Geeson, and W. Reginald Watkins.

This June 20 show-sale will launch the local heritage society's drive for funds to build a historical monument for the Essex-Middle River area. The Cedar Point mansion and cemetery, located in the recently acquired Eastern Area Park, is owned by Baltimore

County, but through the local group's efforts, the county has allowed the heritage society the use of the mansion and part of the grounds for the museum idea. Both the building and grounds were originally earmarked for destruction so the county could build an 18-hole golf course, but instead, the golf course plans were altered.

The mansion in 1956 was given in grant by Cecilius Calvert to William Ball, who was George Washington's great grandfather.

The four judges all volunteered to help the local heritage society.

Alan Columbia, a native of New Hampshire, studied art at the University of New Hampshire. Mr. Columbia, who is currently studying at Towson State College while teaching at Middleborough Elementary and Deep Creek Junior-Senior High School, taught in New Hampshire before moving to Baltimore.



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FOR LOCAL CONTRIBUTIONS---This is the pen and ink sketch done by Phyllis Goff that will be given to contributors of the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River's fund campaign to restore the mansion and cemetery at Cedar Point in the county's Eastern Area Park, so the local society can operate a community historical monument---a museum.

First Step Taken For Local Museum

BY WAYNE GARNER

As if window shopping on a lazy Saturday afternoon, local residents meandered in and out of the Essex-Middle River Heritage Society's June 20 antique and art show at Cox's Point stopping occasionally to gaze at a straight-line painting of a hand holding a egg with "peace" written on it, or to listen to the scratched music coming from an old wind-up phonograph.

Amidst youngsters painted with "peace symbols" and

flowered patterns scurrying throughout the snake-like displays, local art lovers stood dreamily watching a small flock of geese caught by an artist's eye in flight across a flat, weedy marsh turned brown, or criticized the charcoal black swishes of an abstract painting hung on a chicken-wired, green A-frame.

A pleasant change from the rainy period, the crystal blue sky enticed approximately 600 to the local peninsula jutting between Back River and

Deep Creek during the six-hour show.

This was the first antique and art show of this scale to be formed in this Essex-Middle River community, and it was the first large-scale fundraiser for the local heritage society, which is headed by the bearded Alex Baumgartner, of Riverside Drive.

The community's infant heritage society, which is only a little over a year old, fought for months last year to keep the over 200-year-old mansion on Cedar Point -- in

the heart of the planned county Eastern Area Park -- from destruction. The local society told the county officials that the mansion and the cemetery alongside the house was oldest remnant of this community's history left today and that they planned to restore the mansion and build a museum to house the community's historical artifacts. The county finally agreed to the local society's plan, and the local heritage seekers began thinking of ways to raise funds for the mansion's restoration.

This past Saturday's antique and art show was the first in the long, uphill climb towards the society's dream -- a community museum.

As the strong breeze whipped across the narrow peninsula mixing the fragrance of crab cakes and hot dogs with the odor from the Back River sewage plant, the local society's president, Alex Baumgartner, lamented the small crowd but said he felt that his first venture was a success and, at least, a beginning.

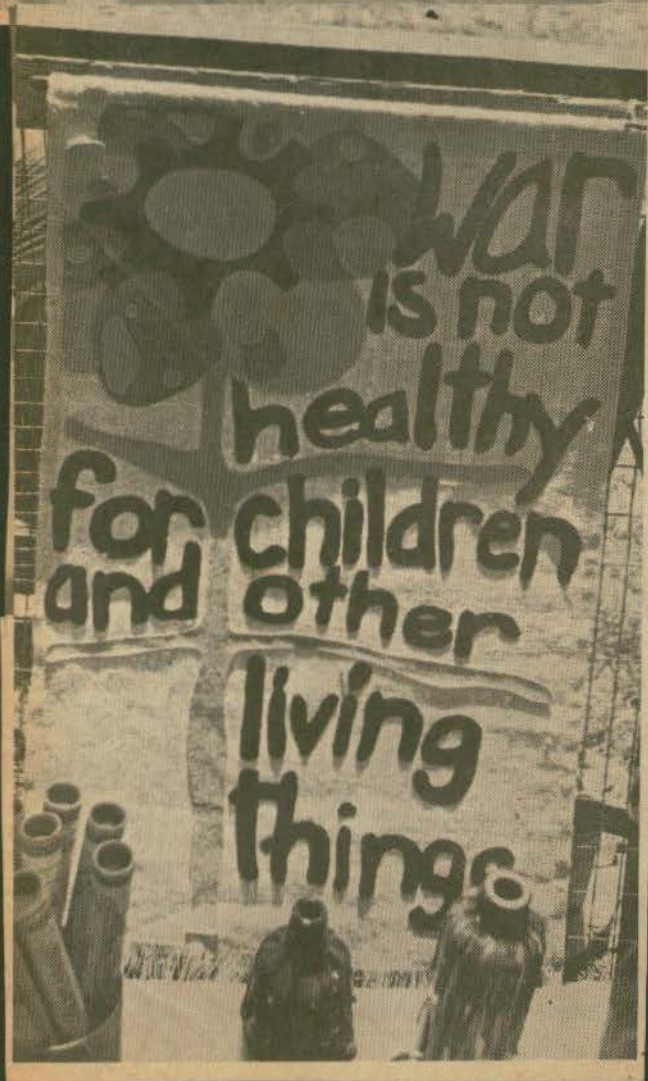
While some afternoon strollers picked over glassware and other items collected from a grandmother's attic, or walked by a Nazi flag and armbands displayed on a table as they remembered past wars, or bought patriotic American flag items sold at another table in the U-shaped line stretched from shore to shore, a young sandy-haired lad excitedly yelled: "Oh, look at the ponies." And, turning to his mother, asked: "Can I ride one, huh?"



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Show-goers meander past artist's works.



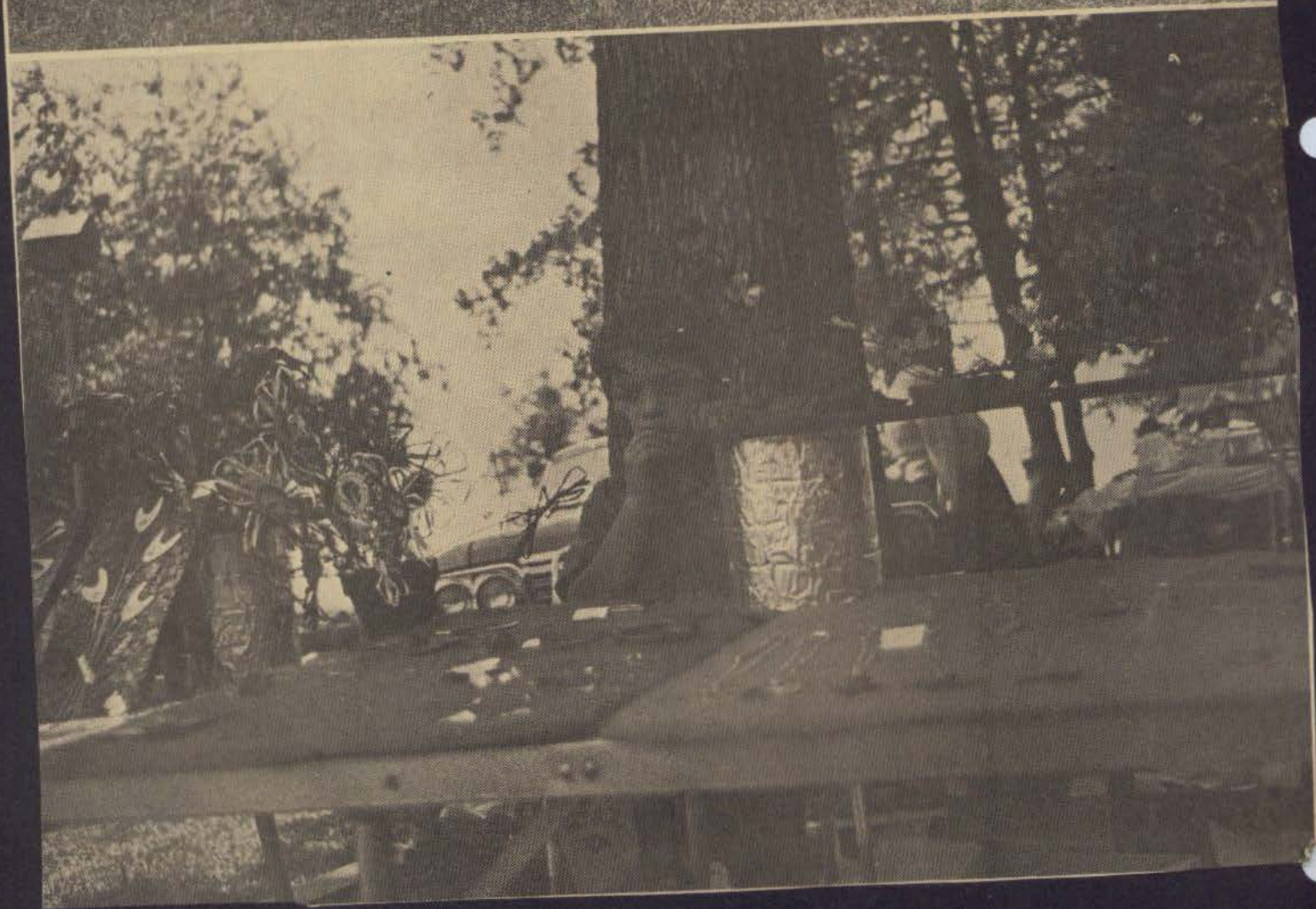


Saturday's Antique- Art Show: A First Here



**first step toward
building museum**

Photos by Arnold Simon





Explains More About Recent Art Show Here

Dear Editor:

Your coverage of the Antique and Art Show at Cox's Point Park was accurate, and yet left much unsaid.

Our community, one of the older waterfront communities, has been, in the past, considered devoid of the cultural amenities. The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River has brought a first rate art show, both amateur and professional, to our doorstep.

Richard Eichman, a young man who I'd never seen before the show, won the People's Choice Trophy - and for good reason. His portraits were as good as the Norman Rockwell or Andrew Wythe paintings I have seen.

Phillis Goff, who did the drawing of the Dedar Point Mansion shown on the posters advertising the show, has only been painting a few years, and yet her oils of the Alaskan wilderness and other scenes closer to home were beautiful.

The raffle of a doll, an exact replica of one from the 1850's, dressed in a period wedding dress with a complete wardrobe, all hand made by the Heritage Society, was a huge success. The winner was the envy of every woman and girl there. (Especially me!)

A few words about the Heritage Society's other activities to your readers. It has sponsored bus excursions at various times to other areas of historical interest such as Washington, Annapolis and the Baltimore County Historical Society's museum.

It has taken displays to many of our school children to make them conscious of the history of our area and the need for the preservation and improvement of the good things we have. A community awareness is vital to the Essex-Middle River future.

It is making up an extensive file of photos and written information on the past and present of the area.

It has sponsored a bus tour of points of historical significance. The Baltimore County Historical Society and the Maryland Historical Society were amazed to find so much here.

The motto of the Heritage Society is "Our Past and Present for the Future." If your future is here in the Essex-Middle River area please join and support the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River Inc. 113 Riverside Rd., Baltimore, Maryland 21221.

Very truly,
Patricia M. Williams
731-B Martin Drive

Cox's Point Show Is Heritage Fundraiser *Essex Times June 18, 1970*

Antique, Art Show Opens Here Saturday



PAINTING BODIES--One of the featured artists at the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River's antique and art show-sale Saturday, June 20, noon to 6 p.m., at Cox's Point will be a body painter, Jeanne Roemer. Here she paints Diane Baumgartner at a recent show. The subject is painted with designs on face, hands and legs. Over 80 artists and antique dealers will be on display at the county park at the end of Riverside Drive. Also featured at the show-sale will be pony rides for the youngsters.



JUSTA MOLDIN' ALONG--Another highlight at the local heritage society's antique and art show-sale will be Judith Koenick who is demonstrating pottery making here. The Cox's Point June 20 show-sale is the local heritage group's first venture toward raising funds to restore the 200-year-old mansion and grounds at Cedar Point so it can house a community museum. Also to be given at the noon-to-6 p.m. show will be a "Miss Heritage" doll and a 25-piece wardrobe. Another feature will be the "people's choice trophy", which will be awarded the artist getting the most public votes at the show.

Help Build A Monument Saturday

Saturday in Cox's Point Park at the end of Riverside Drive, the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River will launch its fundraising campaign to restore the over 200-year-old mansion at Cedar Point into a community museum. The heritage society's first fundraiser will be an antique and art show-sale opening at 12 noon and running until 6 p.m.

Since its formation only a year and a half ago, the local heritage society has done more to preserve the community's history than any other group in Essex-Middle River's 61 years of existence. During its first year, the society published a pamphlet to celebrate the community's 60th anniversary, which revealed some historical photographs and explanatory articles that the small, but enthusiastic society could uncover in the few months they had since forming.

While researching records for the anniversary publication, the local history-seekers elatedly discovered that a 200-year-old mansion and family cemetery existed in this community. But, the group's elation was at first short-lived because they soon learned that the mansion and cemetery was earmarked for destruction to pave the way for the planned Eastern Area Park on Back River Neck Road.

Alarmed that this community would lose its oldest landmark, the heritage society, which is sponsored by the Essex Recreation and Parks Council, set out to gain possession of the mansion and grounds. The members checked the land deeds and records in Baltimore County and Annapolis to verify the mansion's age and historical significance to the community, and then, armed with these facts started a letter-writing campaign to save the community landmark.

Finally, after the usual bureaucratic run-around, the county Department of Recreation and Parks rearranged its plans for the park and granted the local heritage society the use of the mansion and a portion of its grounds to house community artifacts in the planned museum. The local society is planning to restore the mansion to its original state and build a museum similar to the Carroll County museum, which also features rides for youngsters on its grounds.

The plan sounds entertaining as well as educational and is desperately needed in this community to instill pride and knowledge of this area into all who live here. It is needed today. And, this society has done the footwork to establish a community monument, which many residents probably would have regretted not doing if no one would have saved the mansion from being razed.

Now, it's the community's turn to "thank" and help the heritage society in the "first step for all mankind" to build a monument to this community's history. Let's all go to the society's antique and art show-sale June 20 to help raise these funds -- besides it should be interesting.

W.L.G.



FLAG DAY 1970

Dispute Develops Over Restoring Historic Mansion

By CHARLES JONES

A tug-of-war is under way between the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River, striving to restore an historic mansion at Cedar Point, and the Baltimore County Department of Recreation and Parks.

The society and the R and P Department agree the mansion built on land believed to have been owned by George Washington's great grandfather should be preserved, but they differ on methods.

Alex Baumgartner, society president, and his wife, Helen, secretary, say their group favors a lease allowing the society to turn the mansion into a museum "to belong to nobody but the people of the county."

HUBERT SNYDER, R and P director, says, however such a lease poses "a delicate and lengthy legal problem" and the county must move cautiously in deciding the ultimate fate of the house and cemetery located on

the site of the new 360-acre Eastern Area park on Back River Neck Rd. and the shore of Chesapeake Bay.

But the 150-member society is not standing still while negotiations continue. It has raised funds by various affairs and has slated an antique and art show for noon to 6 p.m., June 20, at Cox's Point Park, Essex to raise more money.

The Baumgartners have no idea how much the restoration will cost, but one expert estimated \$50,000 or more will be needed.

THE HISTORY OF THE mansion is veiled in the mystery of time, but there is evidence a portion of the present structure may be 200 or more years old.

John H. Sprinkle, Baltimore architect and member of the Maryland Historical Society and the Baltimore County Historical Society, says a cursory examination of the old dwelling showed "a possibility that a

portion of it might date back to 1750-75."

Much more historical research and evaluation is needed to date the place more precisely, he added.

Further evidence that the "plantation house" was built more than two centuries ago comes from grave markers bearing dates of 1766 and 1769 and the names of Jane and Tobias Stansbury in small family burial plot unearthed by bulldozers clearing the land for an 18-hole golf course.



OLD COUNTY MANSION CAUGHT IN TUG-OF-WAR

A SEARCH OF LAND records by the society showed that Cecilius Calvert in 1659 granted a 420-acre tract at Cedar Point to William Ball, believed to have been George Washington's great grandfather, he named the place "Ballestone."

The land, and eventually the house, passed through many hands, including those of Shepard C. Leakin, mayor of Bal-

timore in 1838-39. He lost the property at public auction in 1840. Baltimore County bought it in 1969 as part of the site for the park now under construction.

The original building, Sprinkle explained; was added to or altered many times. Perhaps one-third of the present structure may date to the 18th Century, he says.

THE EVENTUAL USE of the old mansion and who will administer any program to restore it and open it to the public is uncertain, but Snyder says the house will not be destroyed.

"We say in the park master plan that the mansion is historic and will be preserved," Snyder says. "The big problem now is that we can't make too much haste if we're going to do this right."

"I think what the society is doing is a good thing, and we're going to cooperate, but they want to move faster than we can," he added.

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May 28, 1970

The Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River, Inc., a non-profit organization made up of volunteer workers and also a member of the Essex Recreation and parks Council, will present its First Annual Antique and Art Show and Sale at Cox's Point Park, Essex, Md., on Saturday, June 20, 1970. Proceeds from this show will help to restore the 200 year old cemetery and the mansion located at Cedar Point in the new Eastern Area Park. The mansion (which we hope to turn into a museum) is located on ground given in grant by Cecilius Calvert in 1659 to William Ball, great-grandfather of George Washington.

Over 600 invitations have been mailed to antique dealers and artists. We are proud to announce that Mary T. Geeson, W. Reginald Watkins, A. Earle Bilcher and Alan Columbia have honored us by volunteering to act as Judges of the Art Show. Enclosed are resumes of their achievements from which you can draw whatever information you require.

One of our fund-raising items will be a 15-inch replica of an 1850 doll called "Miss Heritage". Her head, hands and feet are bisque - her cloth body and all her clothes have been made by a member of The Heritage Society. Only two of these dolls are being made by us. One will be awarded to some lucky person during our Antique and Art Show on June 20, and the other will go into our museum when completed.

We have also had printed (copy attached) Phyllis Goff's pen and ink sketch of the house as another of our fund-raising projects. Donors will sign their names in a "Restoration Fund" book which will always be kept in the restored house, and they will receive a copy of the picture.

Mrs. Jean Schulz donated paper copies of a Colonial Lady and Gentleman made by her in 1918 while in primary school. We are having these printed and they should be ready in about a week. Children can color them, cut out the parts of their bodies and put them together with small brads - or - they can be used as patterns for plywood cut-outs. These will also be on sale at our Antique and Art Show.

As you can see, we are really trying to get our Fund-Raising Campaign off to a "flying start". We are also asking merchants, Veterans, Women's Clubs, Civic Groups and everyone else to help in this great project, since this museum will always belong to the people of Baltimore County.

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VOLUME I, NO. 2 **** DEEP CREEK JR. SR. H.S. BALTO. CO., MD. **** NOVEMBER 1970

Dance Planned for 20th

Highlighting the school upcoming social scene is a fund raising dance sponsored by the Sophomore class. All grades may attend the dance, planned for November 20, which will take place in the school cafeteria from 8-11 p.m.

Activities planned for that night, aside from the dance, include the selling of pizza and recreation in the gym.

The admission fee of 75¢ will help the Sophomore class in trying to earn money for a basketball scoreboard for the gym. A band will play at the dance.

???2+2=5???

Do you have an all-around interest in math? Then the math department, under the direction of Miss Robie, has the club for you. Several activities planned includes curve stitching, math puzzles, and topology.

Meetings will take place every other Wednesday after school, starting November 11 in the math lab. Anyone can join and no extra materials are needed.

FIRST MODEL U.N. DEBATES

On Thurs., Oct. 22, five members from the U. N. Club; Jim Carlton, Dennis Holston, Mary Jo Sohasky, Debbie Simmons, and Karen Porter went to Martin Spalding High School in Severn Md. They represented Deep Creek in a model U. N. security council meeting.

The problem they discussed concerned the conflict in the Middle East and the recent hijackings of several commercial planes. Deep Creek had the countries Nepal and the U. S. S. R. to represent.

Karen Porter as spokesman of U. S. S. R. and Jim Carlton, spokesman of Nepal, debated the various resolutions presented by the different countries.

Conducted under strict Parliamentary procedure, the meeting lasted from 9:45-3:00.

Halloween's House of Horrors

Halloween proved much more exciting this year with the addition of "The House of Horrors" at Cox's Point. During the week of Monday, Oct. 26 through Sunday, Nov. 1 approximately 2,800 people visited the house.

Mr. Alex Baumgartner, chairman of the haunted house this year, estimated a collected \$1,800 between admission cost and refreshments.

Through the combined efforts of the Essex Cadets, Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River, Happy Squares, and the Sussex Teen Center, the haunted house proved a great success.

Jett Launches F.B.L.A.

Future Business Leaders of America extend an invitation to all tenth grade business students to join. The club will try to enforce business and office experiences.

Miss Jett, the typing teacher will collect the dues of \$1.50 per member in room 12. One dollar of this goes to the national chapter. Five dollars will go to the local chapters. The remaining portion of this money will go towards field trips and other activities that the club may decide to do. The club will meet first period once a month.

New Dundalk Historical Society Brings Town's History To Fore

**(We Had A Colonial Naval
Hero, Olympic Athlete)**

By Don Day

DID YOU KNOW Holabird Ave. was once known as "the oyster-shell road" & Dundalk Ave. was a trolley track ...

Or that Dundalk once sent an athlete to the Olympic Games ...

Or, better still, that she spawned a naval hero who rubbed elbows with George & Martha Washington, Benjamin Franklin, James Monroe & Napoleon's brother, Jerome?

This & more was revealed in the charter meeting of the Dundalk Historical Society held Fri-

day evening at Dundalk Methodist Church, 6903 Morningson Rd.

Ten adults & five children offered ideas as founder Ben Womer, 7711 Fairgreen Rd., sketched his initial research into Dundalk's rich history.

Alex & Helen Baumgartner, 113 Riverside Rd., passed along encouragement from the Essex-Middle River Heritage Society, Inc., a group formed two years ago along lines similar to the new Dundalk club.

The Baumgartners reported good support from the Baltimore County & Maryland Historical Societies & area citizens; their group has already sponsored antique & art shows, a Christmas Bazaar & a magazine.

Ben Womer has compiled an amazing collection of pamphlets,

photocopied deeds, personal letters & old newspaper clippings about Dundalk's past. He plans to write a book eventually about Dundalk, with proceeds going to the society.



FIRST MEETING OF the Dundalk Historical Society at Dundalk Methodist Church last Friday was attended by this group around conference table: Joan McDonough, Michael McDonough, Mrs. William McDonald, Mrs. Judy Boggs, William McDonough, James Womer, Ben Womer, founder & originator of the society; Alex Baumgartner, Linda Stivaletta, Mrs. Alex Baumgartner & Helen Baumgartner. As the meeting progressed, highlights of Dundalk's history unfolded.

NAVAL HERO CITED



Womer's notes sketch the story of Commodore Joshua Barney, early American naval hero & Dundalk's most prominent citizen. Born in 1759 near Bear Creek, he went to sea at 12 & was master of a merchantman at 15.

Barney, favorably compared to John Paul Jones, served in sorties against Barbary Coast pirates before Independence. When the Revolutionary War broke out in 1775, he displayed the first Congress (American) Flag seen in Maryland while raising a crew for the Navy's first cruiser, the Hornet.

The Commodore broke capture four times after Revolutionary War naval engagements & figured prominently in the unsuccessful land defense of Washington in the War of 1812.

Barney was escort for Martha Washington when she traveled to New York City (then the capital) to join George following the first inauguration. He met Marie Antoinette at the Court of Versailles (France) through his friend Benjamin Franklin & later held high rank eight years in the French Navy.

Finally, Barney was host when Napoleon's brother Jerome came to Baltimore, where he by chance met Betsey Patterson, triggering the famous Patterson - Bonaparte marriage.

DUNDALK'S GROWTH TOLD

Womer's notes also tell of the growth of Dundalk from the tiny communities of St. Helena, Dundalk, Colgate Park, New Pittsburgh, Steelton & Carnegie Park to its present sprawling 15 sq. miles & 85,000-plus population. The first shipyard on Patap-

sco Neck was built in 1661; four years later Thomas Todd erected the first house & slave quarters, which still stand on North Point Rd. near Ft. Howard.

Dundalk was named by Henry McShane for his birthplace in Ireland. His bell, brass & iron foundry was the first metal works in the area; it later became Central Foundry Co., near the present American Legion Hall on Dundalk Ave.

The McShane summer home at the present Dundalk Marine Terminal once had the finest clay tennis courts in the state. As the Maryland Swim Club (1903-28), it was represented once in the Olympic Games; later it became the site of Baltimore's municipal airport, Harbor Field.

Dundalk was fairly small until World War I. The nearest center of justice was Homberg's saloon, on Brooks Hill, where a coroner could usually be found. Entertainment was had at Riverview Amusement Park on Point Breeze, now a Western Electric plant.

Dundalk was invaded by barbed wire from 1918-20, when the government Emergency Fleet Corp. took control to spur housing for defense & shipyard workers. Eight hundred homes were built the first year (one every three working hours) in the area of the present

INTERESTED FOLK INVITED

The historical society won't meet again until after New Years, but a display is planned soon for the North Point Branch of the county library.

Any & all interested folk are welcome at the society, Womer said. "The society must be a community effort to be done properly," he said, "not just a group of individuals."

At the meeting Friday were Mr. & Mrs. William McDonough & children Joan & Michael, 1878 Church Rd., Linda Stivaletta, 1904 Church Rd., & (Mrs.) Judy Boggs, 3411 Cornwall Rd.

Also present were (Mrs.) Irene White, 52 Portship Rd., James Womer, of Detroit Ave., & Baumgartner daughters Helen & Diane.

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A BOY FOR McAVOY!

The former Betty Mullens- now known as Mrs. Robert McAvoy and residing on Bauernschmidt Road, became the mother of a real "bouncing baby" boy (8 lbs., 11oz.) on February 12th, 1970 at the Greater Baltimore Medical Center.



Congratulations to the proud and happy parents!

BHIA WORKING ON MANOR TRASH PICK-UP

While details have yet to be worked out, it seems we (Bauernschmidt Manor residents) may still be able to have a special trash pick-up of large items. BHIA will inform Manor residents as soon as time and place is arranged.



ESSEX-MIDDLE RIVER HERITAGE SOCIETY TO HOLD AUCTION



The Essex-Middle River Heritage Society will hold an Auction in May. If any one has items they would like to donate it would be greatly appreciated. Please

do not include such items as ranges, refrigerators, washing machine or other such large items. Acceptable are such items as toasters, irons, clocks, bric-a-brac, toys, tools, dishes, small furniture (tables & chairs) etc.

Call Anna Williams at 686-9242

MUELLER RECOVERING

Mrs. Mueller, who suffered a leg injury recently (see Bauernschmidt Manoran Feb 1970) is on the road to recovery. We wish her a speedy return in time to enjoy the rapid approaching spring!

THE BAUERNSCHMIDT MANORAN

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Bazaar To Aid Heritage Society

PREPARING ITEMS FOR SALE--Members of the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River create some of the items that will be sold at the group's second annual Christmas bazaar and flea mart to be held Saturday, November 28, 1-6 p.m., in the Essex Elementary School. Featured will be reproductions of antique dolls made by Mr. and Mrs. Alex Baumgartner; candles that represent ice cream sundaes and sodas made by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hensler, homemade jelly and jam made by Carrie Taylor, crocheted items by Anna Williams, other baked goods, a white elephant table, and the showing of "Disneyland in Florida" movie. Alice Rizzo (687-1653) and Mary Corey (687-5083) are the bazaar chairmen and ask that anyone who needs table space should call them.

Museum Closes For Bazaar

and Oct 30-75
Essex-Middle River Heritage Society will shut their museum this Saturday. However, the closing is only a temporary measure of one day, as the historical group holds their annual Christmas Bazaar at Eastern Vo-Tech on Mace Avenue, on November 1, from noon to 6:00 PM.

Alex Baumgartner, President of the Society, stated, "We are having the bazaar to help raise money for

operation of the museum." Although it seems rather early for Yuletide thinking, visitors will tend to forget the unpredictable fall weather as the interior of the school will dazzle from the displays of Christmas wreaths, ornaments, gifts, etc.

Over 40 exhibitors will be on hand to help area citizens prepare for the coming Santa season.

The Heritage Society Museum, located at Eastern Boulevard and Margaret Avenue, will be open as usual on Sunday from noon to 6:00 PM.

Sussex Teen Queen Picked

Sussex Senior Teen Center, sponsored by Essex Recreation Council, staged its first Teen Queen and Talent Show at Stemmers Run Junior High School on February 15. It was the first time a teen center in this area has chosen its teen queen this way. Five girls were in competition for the title of "Miss Sussex", and five acts were in competition for the talent awards. All were judged for performance, routine, originality and also on poise and scholastic averages.

Winners of the talent awards were first place, Charles Rasmussen, gymnastics; second place, Mary Helmcamp, tap dancing; third place, Jim Polansky and Sally Loudermilk, singing duet; fourth place, Jim Polansky and Darlene Densamore, singing duet; and fifth place, Jim Polansky, solo.

Teen queen awards were "Miss Sussex 1970" Kathie Zahner, fashion show; first runner up, Sally Loudermilk, singing "Love"; second runner up, Lee Price, Irish dance; third runner up, Darlene Densamore, singing "Wait a Million Years"; fourth runner up, Donna Walton, baton twirling.

Kathie Zahner's fashion show consisted of ten different outfits from dressy to casual all made by her.

Talent contestants were judged by Linda Boyer, Essex Cadettes Baton teacher; Jerry Crowell, community director of Essex Recreation; Peggy Lambros, Essex football; and Frederick Moroz, president Essex Recreation Council.

Queen contestants were judged by Virginia Boros, Heritage Society; Francis Dearm, director of women's programs, Dept. of Recreation and Parks; Marie Frank, tap and ballet teacher; William A.



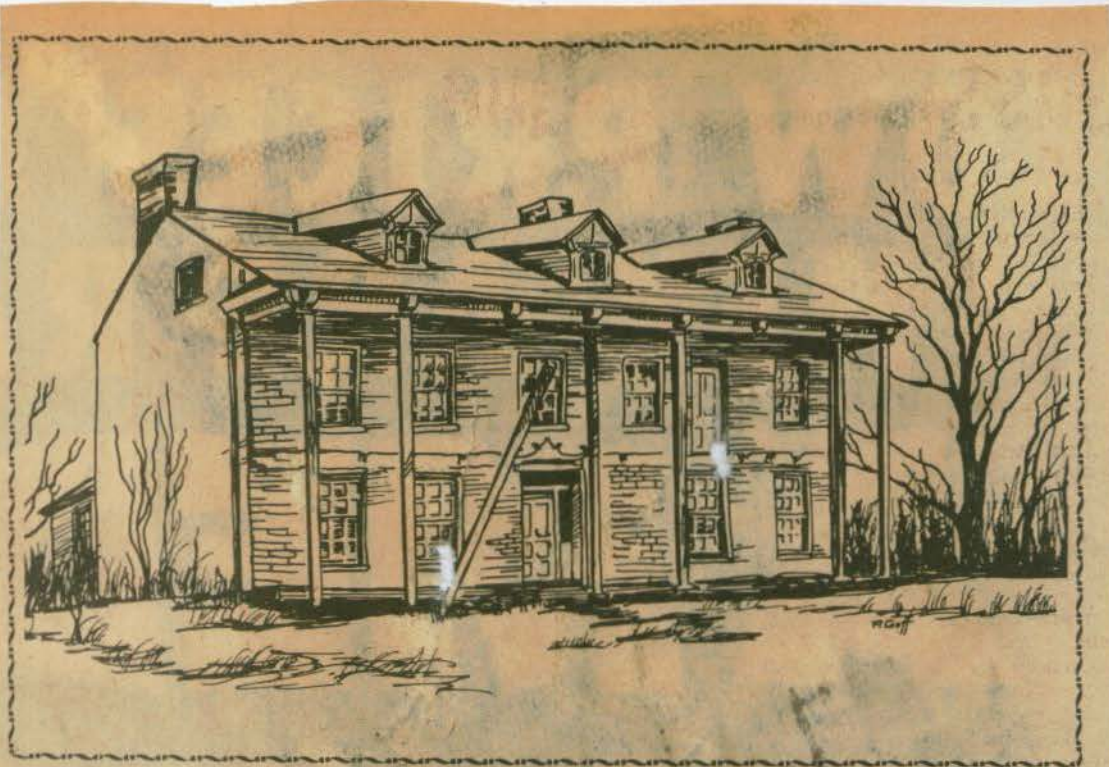
TEEN QUEEN CONTESTANTS -- The Sussex Senior Teen Center's February 15 "Teen Queen" contestants are above (l-r) Darlene Densamore; Lee Price; Kathie Zahner, Miss Sussex 1970; Sally Loudermilk; and Donna Walton.

Groth, Jr., principal of Sussex Elementary School; George Lambors, chairman of Essex football; Bessie Moroz, vice president, Essex Recreation Council; Joseph Schirano, 5th District delegate, JoAnn Weinkamp, teacher at Sussex School; and Jack Weiland, teacher at Sussex.

All contestants were assisted and advised by the teen center leaders, Joseph Griffith and Frank Rexroth, Jr.; chairman of the teen center, Mary Kidd; and volunteer, Vi McGready.

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Art Show To Help Restore Mansion

TO PROMOTE MUSEUM--This pen and ink sketch of the old mansion at Cedar Point was given to the Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River by an Essex artist, Phyllis Goff. The drawing will be used to promote the society's upcoming June 20 antique and art show-sale at Cox's Point, Riverside Drive, to raise funds to restore the Cedar Point mansion and 200-year-old cemetery into a local historical museum. The heritage society said it is expecting 240 professional and non-professional artists as well as 100 antique dealers to participate in the show-sale. A local art teacher, Alan Columbia, and Mrs. Mary T. Geeson, who organizes the Fells Point art show each year, will be among the judges of the art show. The first place winner will receive \$160. The local show-sale's chairman is Mrs. Helen Baumgartner, of 113 Riverside Road.



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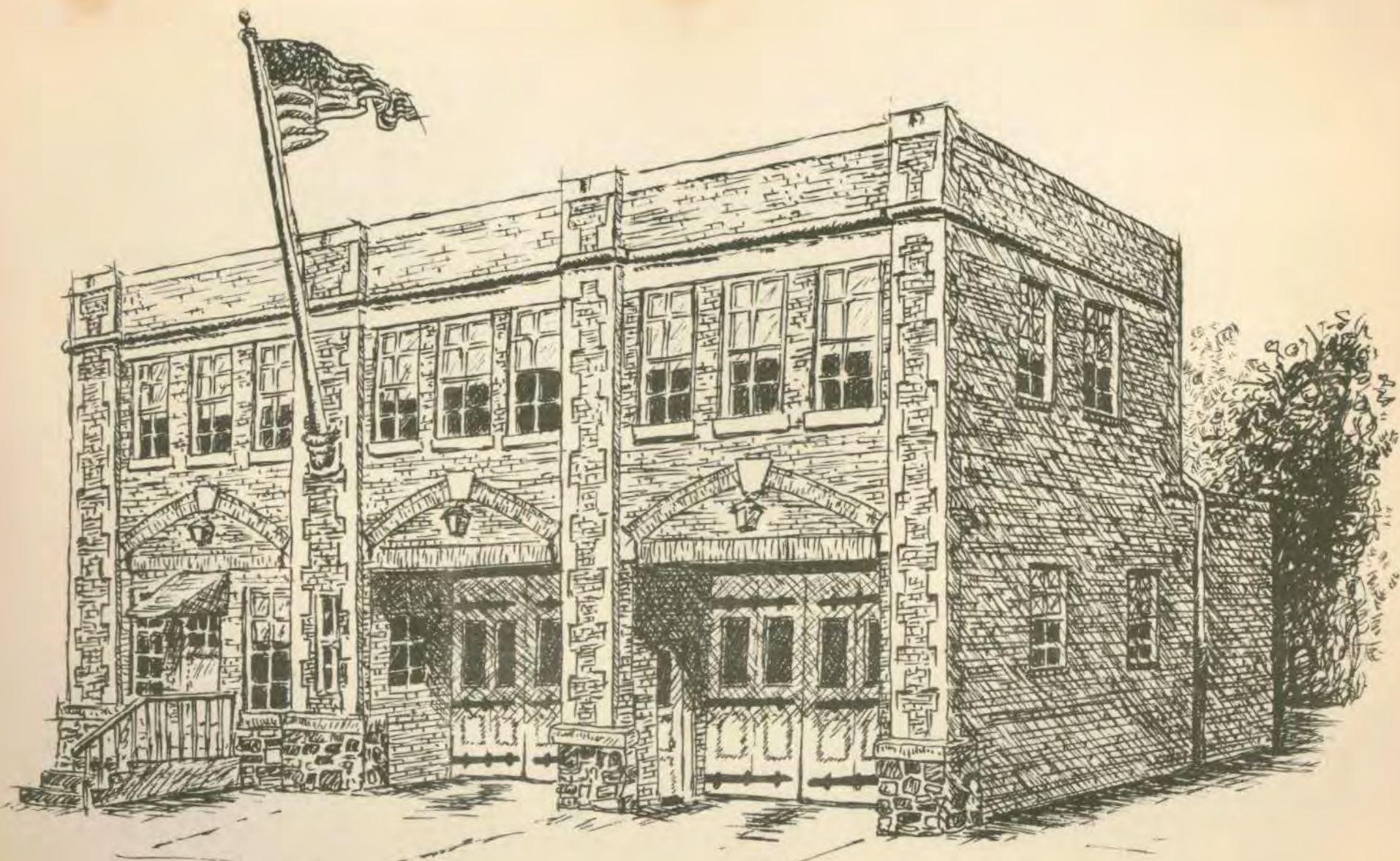


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